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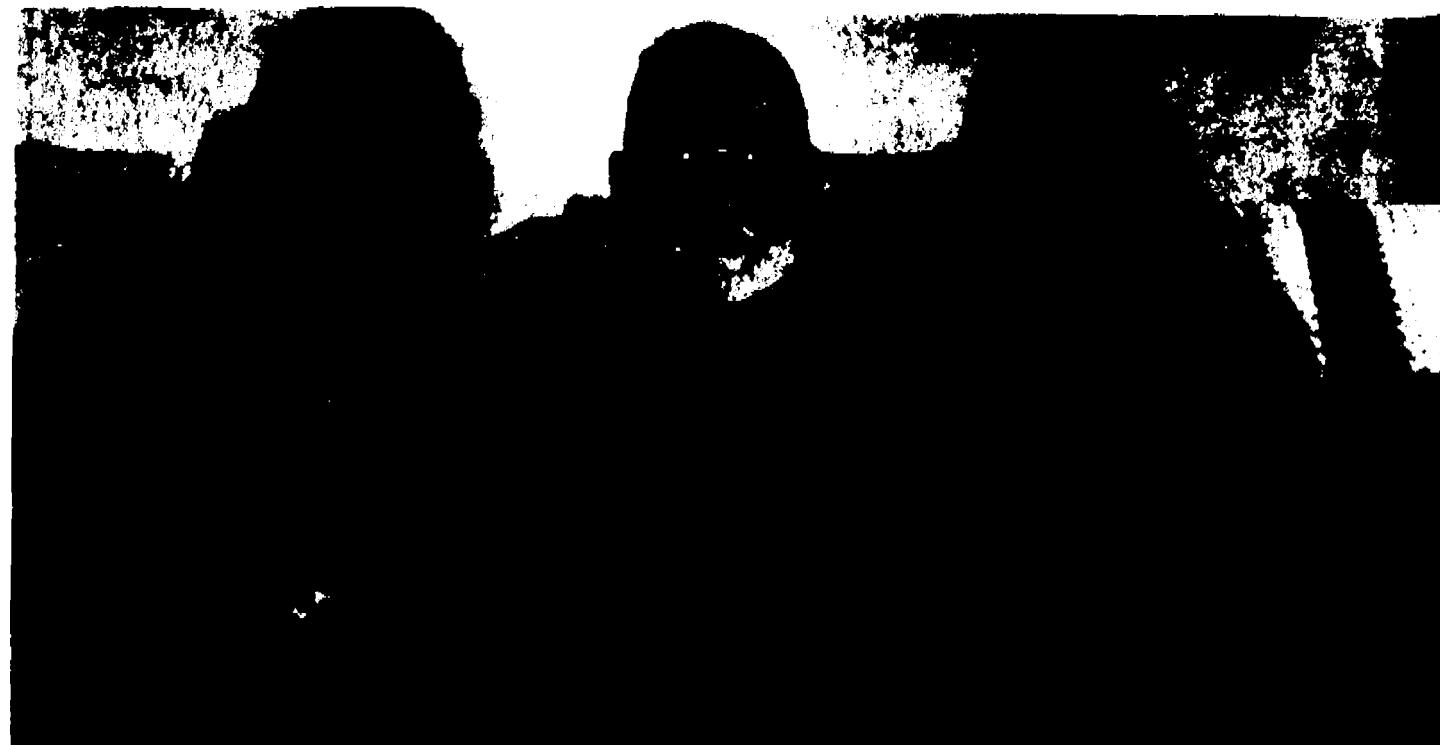
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Local athletes bring home Special Olympic medals



NEARING THE FINISH LINE—Wendy Allison (#37) of Grayling, was the silver medalist in the 75-meter snowshoeing competition at the 1996 Michigan Special Olympics Winter Games held at Sugarloaf Mountain, Feb. 6-9. Sixteen local special olympians competed with 800 other athletes from across Michigan in cross-country and downhill skiing, ice skating and snowshoeing. Also winning a silver medal in snowshoeing was Malinda Skagerberg of Grayling. Lori Sue Siewert of Grayling, brought home a bronze medal in the 50-meter cross-country ski sprint.

Kidney recipient finds new quality of life



THE HAGERMAN FAMILY—(L to R) Sharron, Jack and Kim Hagerman relax at home.

More details surface on landfill agreement

By Terry Wright
News Editor

Details of settlement talks between representatives of Crawford County and City Environmental Services Inc. of Water (CESW), in an attempt to negotiate an end to landfill legal disputes, are slowly being released.

Grayling Township Supervisor Arnold Stancil reported to his township board, at its Tuesday, Feb. 13 regular meeting, that any agreement between the parties is dependent on the approval of an amendment to the Crawford County Solid Waste Plan, similar to one that was defeated last May in a 3-3 tie by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

Stancil's information came from a meeting he and other township supervisors recently attended with attorney Peter Gummerson, of Warner, Norcross and Judd of Grand Rapids, who is representing Crawford County in its legal actions.

Attending the meeting, besides Stancil, were supervisors, Arlyn Hallman of South Branch Township, Irene Schaefer of Beaver Creek Township, Fred Schubel of Lovells Township, Mark Kates of Maple

Forest Township and Brian Hebert of Frederic Township.

Stancil said recycling will not be addressed in the new amendment. He also reported that CESW will pay Crawford County on an ongoing basis for a full-time landfill monitor.

"I informed Mr. Gummerson that I would bring these matters to your attention, but no formal vote could or would be taken without a written document," Stancil told his board. "At this point he needs to know whether to continue with settlement discussions, or quite simply, head to court."

Stancil said Gummerson met with the township supervisors to determine their "probable positions" concerning a possible agreement.

Crawford County Commissioner Bruce Bretzke confirmed that he and Commissioner John Hartman have been part of the county's negotiating team. He said he and Hartman were chosen as negotiators because each represented different ends of the May vote that defeated the last landfill amendment.

Bretzke said CESW will pay the county a specific amount of money, which the commissioners will use to hire an environmental engineer, or at least a person with extensive training in that

field.

"City [CESW] will have no say in who we hire," Bretzke said.

He also said no firm agreement has been reached yet and there are still many details to work out before any litigation can be dropped.

"We have all been working very hard to come to an equitable agreement that will suit the best interests of both sides of this issue," Bretzke said. "When all is said and done, I will be confident that the citizens of this county will have been served."

Bretzke said because there is pending litigation involved, an agreement would have to be reviewed and approved by the Ocego County Circuit Judge before either party could drop their suits.

CESW filed a \$22 million suit against Crawford County for breach of contract in its purchase of the former Crawford-Ocego landfill shortly after its solid waste plan amendment was defeated.

Crawford County counter-sued CESW for violations of the county's solid waste management plan by accepting waste from counties not specified in that plan.

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

Jack Hagerman is having trouble finding things to do with all of his newly acquired free time. The abundance of free time is the result of a successful kidney transplant operation that Jack underwent in January.

The successful operation ended Jack's day-long trips to Traverse City at least three times a week for dialysis. Although still recovering from his surgery, Jack now has time to attend township meetings once more. The kidney is the second organ donation Jack has received. He received a liver transplant in 1992.

Jack's improving health and new found free time would not have been possible without his daughter, Kim. On Wednesday, Jan. 3, Kim underwent surgery at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor to have one of her kidneys removed and transplanted into her father. The Crawford County Avalanche told readers about the impending operation in an article in the Dec. 14th edition.

The transplant meant the end of four years of dialysis and monitoring the amount of fluid he drinks.

"It seems funny to drink all this," said Jack as Kim pours him a second cup of coffee. Dialysis required Jack to strictly limit his fluid intake, including soups, jello and beverages.

On Wednesday, Jan. 3, both Kim and Jack were wheeled into the pre-operating room at the University of Michigan. Kim said that right up until she was being wheeled into the operating room, her father and mother, Sharron, let her know that there was still time to change her mind.

The rest of the day for both Jack and Kim is a blank. Kim underwent five and a half hours of surgery. Jack underwent two surgeries that day. The first surgery, he estimates, was about five hours. The second surgery lasted about two or three hours.

"Giving a kidney was worse than having a baby," said Kim about her experience. "I was scared."

Kim was unprepared for some of the aspects of donating a kidney. There was a lot more pain than she expected. She was also unaware that she would be required to wear a med-alert neck

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City to collect unpaid taxes

Declares amnesty on all interest owed if taxes paid before April 30

By Terry Wright

News Editor

A letter to the editor from a Grayling resident that appeared in a 1990 issue of the Avalanche, bears repeating today:

To the Editor:

It happened in Grayling in the year 1972. Our City Fathers, prodded by a devious City Manager (one Jerry Morford), passed a resolution to have the citizens of our fair city to vote upon themselves (and anyone unfortunate enough to work in said community) an income tax.

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Kidney recipient finds new quality of life

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lace, which would state that she had only one kidney. She has to watch her diet and limit her intake of fat, cholesterol and alcohol. Precautions also need to be taken in the type of medication prescribed for her.

After the surgery, Kim spent a few more days in the hospital. She was released on Jan. 7, and has been back to work full time for about two weeks. Her room was located at the other end of the hospital from her father's room, on a different floor. This made it hard on her mother, Sharron, and other family members visiting both of them.

The hospital said the distance between their rooms was to encourage Jack and Kim to walk in order to visit each other. Kim was the one who did most of the walking. Jack developed pneumonia, which kept him in his room.

The pneumonia was the result of a

very strong anti-rejection medication often referred to as "bake and freeze," due to its tendency to make patients either feel very cold or very hot after taking it. The medication caused Jack's lungs to fill up with fluid. Once the pneumonia was under control, Jack wanted to go home.

"I was pushing to get out," said Jack, who was released on Jan. 15. "It just feels good to get home." Further problems with his lungs caused him to be re-admitted to the University of Michigan Hospital on Jan. 18 for about five days.

It was during his few days at home that Jack said he felt death knocking on his door. The fluid on his lungs at night, kept him awake, coughing. He was forced to sit up straight almost all of the time.

"I still don't have lung capacity from the fluid," said Jack. He gets out of breath when he walks a long distance.

The experience, said Kim, has given the relationships in her life a deeper level of meaning that she finds hard to explain.

"It changes your whole life," said Kim. "I cherish my family I think even more than I use to. My life isn't as stressful. Being a live donor just changes my whole outlook on everything."

She explained that her body knows that something is missing and that she can feel the void where her right kidney was once located. Kim was in the operating room for five and a half hours. Her right kidney was low enough in the body, however, that she did not have to have any ribs removed. She has a 12-inch moon shaped scar on her right side.

The color is already returning to Jack's complexion. While undergoing dialysis, his skin was a grayish color. His face, especially around the eyes, is still puffy from excess fluid under the skin, but that will eventually disappear as the new kidney breaks it

down. It could take years before the kidney is able to filter out all of the excess fluid.

Doctor's didn't remove Jack's old kidneys, which had shrunk. Instead they inserted Kim's kidney in front of Jack's stomach.

"It's not mine anymore," said Kim referring to her father's new kidney. "I keep forgetting that."

After having their lives revolve around his doctor's appointments, Sharron and Jack are finding time on their hands.

The surgery has also raised other concerns for Jack.

"Wearing a seatbelt kind of scared me," said Jack. He was afraid the seatbelt would damage the kidney. Friday, Feb. 16, was the first time he ever really felt his new kidney. Since the surgery, he has often placed his hand over the kidney in order to protect it, but he is afraid to press on it. On Friday, doctors pressed on the kidney and he felt it pressing back, healthy

and working.

The Hagerman family would be willing to talk to anyone interested in finding out more about organ donations. They would be willing to talk to groups or to families considering or waiting for an organ donation.

"The number of people on dialysis, or waiting for an organ, is unreal," said Kim. "You've got a match out there."

Jack noted that sometimes a decision about organ donation has to be made at 2 a.m. He encourages families in that situation to feel free to talk to him about donating a loved one's organs at any time.

Anyone interested in learning more about organ donation can call 1-800-482-4881. A decision to donate your organs, upon your death, should be discussed with your family. If you wish to be a donor, contact your local Secretary of State's office for a label for your drivers license expressing your wishes to be an organ donor.

Crawford-AuSable receives drug prevention grants

Senator George McManus (R-Traverse City) recently announced that four northern Michigan area school systems will receive over \$107,411 in grant funds to assist with local drug and violence-prevention efforts.

Michigan receives \$3.7 million in funding under the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act for local districts demonstrating high-need of supplemental funds for drug and violence-prevention programming. By law, only 55 of the 560 local school districts could receive an award under this highly-competitive grant program.

In November, 1995, 28 districts across Michigan received awards totaling \$1.7 million. The remaining funds were recently made available for a

second round of awards. "There used to be a time when the problems of drugs and youth violence were concentrated in urban areas, but those days are long gone. Now you can find evidence of drugs and drug-related problems in nearly every school," McManus said. "I refuse to accept that the war on drugs is a lost cause and therefore, one we should not fight. These grant funds are not the answer, but they are an important element in solving the problems which drugs create."

The four school districts which will be receiving grant funds are as follows:

Traverse City Area Public Schools, \$76,146; Kalkaska Public Schools, \$12,546; Mesick Consolidated Schools, \$5,489; and Crawford-AuSable Schools, \$13,230.

In the Crawford-AuSable School District, the supplemental grant will enable middle and high school students, already involved in puppetry for weekly assemblies, to aid in producing videos in a unique social skills program. There are three components to the program, which teaches 12 social skills throughout the year: all-school multimedia and songfest assemblies, classroom activities and other reinforcement activities.

Each application submitted to the grant program was reviewed by three members of the Office of Drug Control Policy's peer review panel, which included past grant recipients, parents, and local drug-free school coordinators. Based on this review, 28 Michigan school districts were awarded supplemental grants.

Red Cross to hold blood drive March 6

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive on Wednesday, March 6, from 12 noon to 5:45 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 106 James Street, Grayling. The blood drive is sponsored by the Grayling Holiday Inn.

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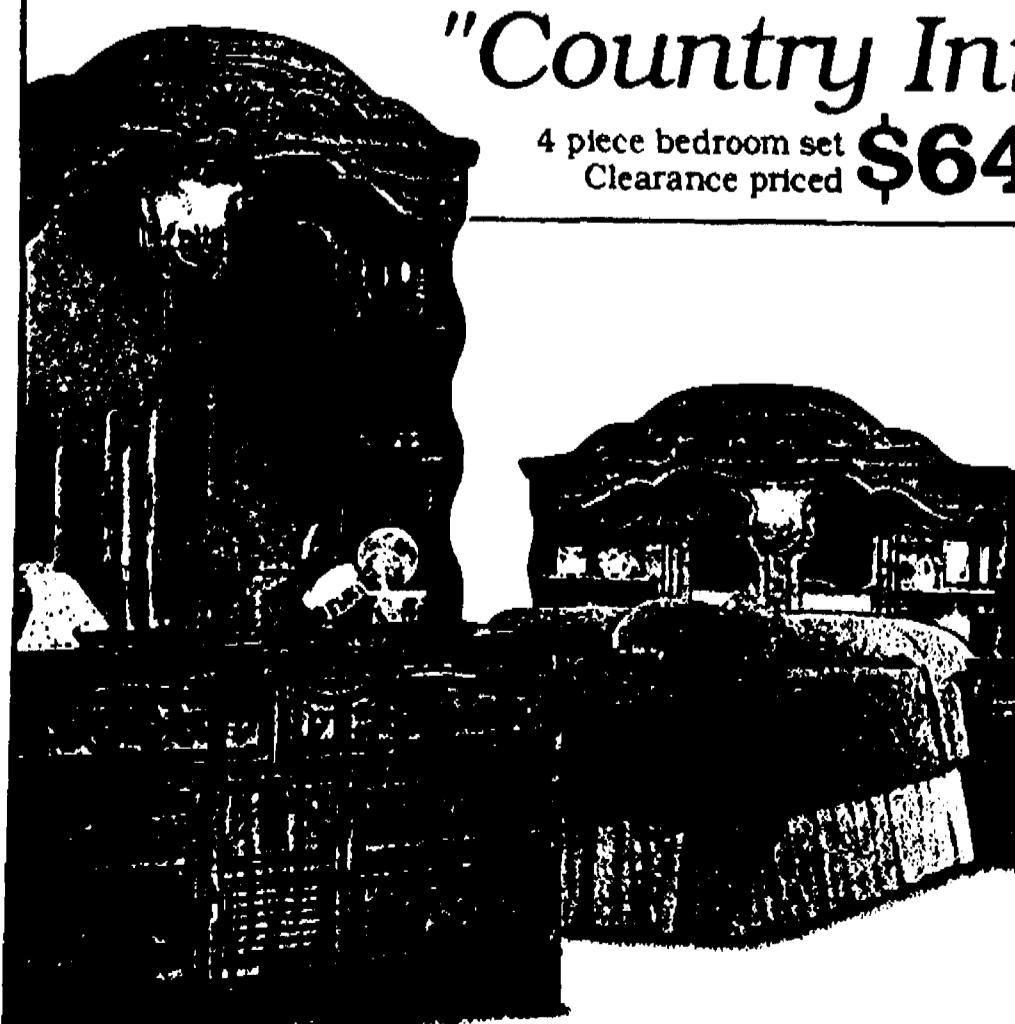
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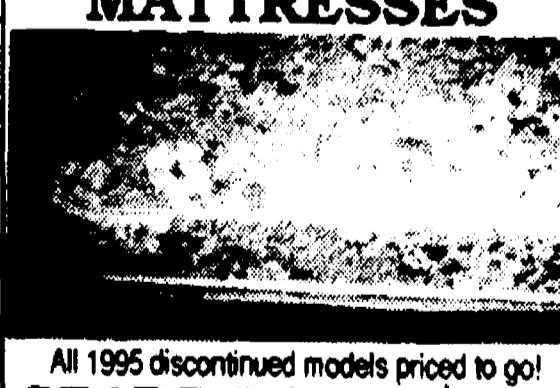
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ISSUES AND OPINIONS

ALMANACK By Richard Millman

Reasons for leaving Congress vary

WHAT'S BEHIND the voluntary exodus from Washington of a growing multitude of Congressional veterans?

When U.S. Rep. Pat Schroeder of Colorado unexpectedly announced she wouldn't be back after 23 years in the House, a spate of columns hit the media.

Ms. Schroeder was always a favorite of Washington pundits, especially the female variety. She was a champion of women's rights, and also was very good copy.

"It's like reading about your funeral," Ms. Schroeder said (according to columnist Ellen Goodman).

Pat Schroeder is one of about 34 House members who won't run again this year. It's not only Democrats, newly minted as the House minority, but also quite a few Republicans who are quitting, even though they're now ahead.

In the Senate, it's the same story. After 26 years on Capitol Hill, Sen.

William Cohen of Maine was a recent unexpected dropout, still at the politically tender age of 55.

Sen. Cohen was the 13th member of what is frequently called "the greatest deliberative body in the world" to step aside voluntarily. Democrats lead the list, but Mr. Cohen is one of a handful who mix themselves up with the monuments. They think they're irreplaceable.

Ms. McGroarty has been covering Congress for a long time.

"Getting to Congress can be a horrendous undertaking, hard on the hide and the bank account. If the end isn't endless days and nights, nasty fights and the contempt of your fellow citizens, it hardly seems worth it," she writes.

She remembers different times: "The House, which used to be the pleasantest place in Washington, with lots of scraps but lots of laughs, is suddenly no fun of Republicans leaving."

SO WHAT'S going on here? Or is

it only something infecting the Washington water supply?

For every dropout there's a different stated reason. Nobody cites age, but that's obviously a consideration in some cases.

Usually the dropouts want to spend more time with family, or to try something different with the rest of their lives.

Others talk of being tired of having to raise money and campaign all the time, and of weariness with interrupting phone calls and constituent complaints. In a word, that means congressional burnout. And that's probably true, at least in part, for all the dropouts.

But most frequently, the changing temper of politics, and the altered tone of life in the Congress are blamed.

"Political life has lost its luster...the thrill is gone," commented Columnist Mary McGroarty, in a piece prompted by the Schroeder announcement.

ONE OF THE early retirees was courtly Sen. Howell Heflin of Alabama. He's 73, but said age had nothing to do with his withdrawal. Instead, he talked of politics and society.

"We must set a new course in this Congress and the land—a course of moderation, tolerance, responsibility and compassion," Sen. Heflin said. "We need to return to the traditional value of being just plain neighborly."

Addressing similar concerns, Ms. Schroeder said: "There's this angry populism targeted at government. It's mindless. I get up every day and that's the forum I'm operating in. Get mad about this, blow up that. We're in kill-or-be-killed politics now."

Another favorite of pundits, retiring Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey, said: "We live in a time when, on a basic level, politics is broken. Neither party speaks to people where they live their lives."

And Sen. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut, who is not quitting, bemoaned Sen. Cohen's plans: "The extremes dominate. That can't go on for long with a government hoping to hold the trust of the American people."

LIFE IN CONGRESS has changed, too.

Rep. Jerry Studds of Massachusetts, another volunteer retiree, said: "For some time, this job has ceased to be enjoyable. Plus this city is full of people

at all. Rancor prevails, not humor."

But retiring Sen. Alan Simpson of Wyoming is much more serene about the phenomenon: "People try to read so much into it as if they were shrinks. But this is not about shrink stuff. This is just something that goes with life. Life goes on."

Mr. Simpson may have it pegged. So far, there's no shortage of candidates willing to make the sacrifices to serve in the Congress.

Richard Millman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

EDITOR

The new Michigan license plate should be birthday presents

To the editor,

When your birthday comes around, you will need to renew your vehicle license, you are going to be faced with the decision to either keep your old plate and save \$5, or get the new one and be charged a fee of \$5.

Since the regular license fee is, I think, quite excessive, I cannot understand why we should be charged an extra fee for the new plate. The plates are made in prison factories so that the cost to make them is practically nothing.

I am given the impression that the present Republican administration is for less taxation. But, this in effect is a tax, which we must pay if we want the new plate, and of course we all want it.

Wouldn't it have been a nice gesture of appreciation for our new lady secretary of state, to the voters who elected her, to have presented us with a birthday present, the new Michigan license plate.

Harvey Bartholomew, Grayling

DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter, North Higgins Lake State Park

As indicated last week, a 2-wheeled Red River Cart was uniquely designed for use over a variety of terrain and for transporting equally-diverse cargoes. When a cart train stopped for the night, a buffalo skin or canvas cover could be thrown over the cart to make a shelter for the driver and freight alike. The cart could be converted to a boat by detaching the wheels and lashing them together in a row, concave side up. Four poles were tied to the outer rims to form a rectangular framework which was then covered with buffalo hides sewn together to form a skin boat capable of floating up to 800 pounds. The typical load for such a 2-wheeled cart was anywhere from 800 to 1,000 pounds.

Trains of 200 or 300 carts left the Winnipeg area with cargoes of furs, pemmican, dried buffalo meat, skin garments and moccasins made by skilled Indian and Metis hands. When the trains returned north, they carried groceries, tobacco, clothing, tools, guns, ammunition and farm equipment. Some rather unusual items were freighted over the trails, including a piano that had been sent from Britain by ship, and was transported south to the Mississippi, following its owner to Oregon, and the machinery for a textile mill was hauled by cart north from St. Paul to the Winnipeg area.

Packing a cart so it was balanced was no easy task. Besides the freight, there were the items needed on the journey such as cooking utensils, ax,

new axles, the driver's gun, a long-handled frying pan, an auger, square needles, knives, extra rawhide strips, buffalo robes and extra clothing in waterproof bags, all of which had to be accessible if or when the need arose.

I have ridden on the spring-supported board seat of a buckboard, the upholstered seat in a 2-passenger buggy, and even had a go at the metal seats on mowing machines and cultivators, but none of them compares with the description of being a passenger in a Red River Cart. According to one observer, there was only one place to ride with any safety for your ribs, or without being somersaulted out over the tailboard. "You had to be seated in front on the cart's floor, with your legs hanging down near the tail of the ox or horse." "If you really wanted comfort, tie a broad strip of rawhide from rail to rail to support your back, place a folded blanket or robe under you and sway your body with the movement of the cart."

There was no doubt about the proximity of a Red River Cart, since they made a hellish noise. The sound made by a wooden wheel rubbing against the wooden axle could be heard three miles away. Some travelers reduced the noise by using the grease from their frying pan or the fat from some luckless skunk, which reminds me that it is almost time for those light sleepers to be stinking up the neighborhood.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your views are welcome on the Opinions Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address and phone number should be included. Letters will

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"Quality Education in the Heart of the North" reads the notation at the bottom of our stationery. It has never been more evident than now! The deep freeze and power outage the weekend of February 3 initiated activity which demonstrated the dedication and commitment our employees have to children, to the district and to the community. Educational programs continued with minimal disruption.

Our students demonstrated flexibility and their commitment to getting the most from their educational opportunities. The strategic planning effort concluded in June of 1992 initiated planning and implementation activities which demonstrate the skills, creativity, teamwork and dedication of all our employees and many parents and community members. Dramatic improvements have been made in programs and services to students and to families. The successful March 21, 1993 bond issue initiated activities which will result in adequate space at the elementary and middle school levels, improved programs and services to meet the developmental needs of students, and the technological infrastructure to prepare students for the 21st Century.

Tonight I will focus on the employees, students, and parents of the Crawford AuSable School District, the community, and three events: 1.) the great freeze, 2.) the 1992 strategic plan, and 3.) the current construction project. I will also look to the future as we prepare to meet the educational needs of the students of the next century; only five years away!

The great freeze

The heart of a school district is its people. Our custodial and maintenance staff works hard, often noticed only when things go wrong. They seldom get the credit they deserve for the excellent job they perform. What will be remembered as the great freeze of 1996 occurred the first weekend of February. Temperatures plunged to 40 below zero early Saturday morning when the middle school, Grayling Elementary and high school were out of power for almost three hours resulting in extensive damage to heating coils and lines. Bill Johnson, middle school maintenance employee, stops at the middle school nearly every weekend during the winter to check the heating system. He stopped early Saturday morning on his way to his weekend National Guard duty and found extensive damage to the heating coils in a majority of the air handling units.

After assessing the extent of the damage, Bill took responsibility to initiate a control and repair plan. He called all the custodial and maintenance personnel and eight came in immediately. This crew worked all weekend with personnel from H&B Plumbing and Heating and Honeywell, averaging over 20 hours repairing damage and cleaning. Fifteen of the 20 air handling unit coils were frozen and 12 had burst lines with water leaking. Bill, Leon D'Amour, Jim Hatfield, Doug Latuszek, Joe Riddle, Jeff Kolka, Mark Wilkerson, Martin Neuberger and Dave Shepherd organized themselves to stop the damage, thaw units, solder burst copper lines and clean up the mess. By 2:00 Sunday afternoon, the building had full heat and was ready for school Monday. The group then turned their attention to the high school which had frozen lines and coils in unit ventilators in 10 classrooms, the office area and a bathroom. By 11:00 Sunday evening, they had restored heat to three of the classrooms and had begun repairs to several others. The high school staff relocated classes from cold classrooms to spaces which had heat Monday morning. Instruction was not interrupted as the high school custodial and maintenance staff, with five Honeywell employees continued to work on the ventilators. All classrooms

had heat by the end of the day Wednesday.

Our custodial and maintenance staff made it possible for school to be held Monday. They deserve all of our thanks and appreciation for their commitment. The high school staff deserves our thanks and appreciation for continuing instruction under less than ideal conditions. Quality education continued because our employees cared about kids, about each other, and about the community. The heart of a school district is in its people. Our students and our community are fortunate to have such outstanding and professional people serving them. On behalf of the Crawford AuSable School District community, I thank you; all 235 of you!

Success under the 1991-92 Strategic Plan

As we near the end of the second year under Proposal "A" and its shortcomings are becoming evident, as the attack on public education from Washington and Lansing continues, as the Crawford AuSable School District continues to improve and provide quality educational services to meet the needs of students, as we prepare for our next strategic planning effort, it is important to take time to celebrate the successes of the last four years directed by the current strategic plan. The plan was aggressive, responsible, thorough, and educationally sound. The results are impressive. We have done a great job!

The 1991-92 strategic planning effort resulted in the development and adoption of a mission statement, statements of belief, a set of strategic policies, three goals, 10 strategies, and 39 action plans. This focused planning was necessary because the district had spent the previous nine years rebuilding from the cuts of the 1981 Michigan recession. We have had significant success in meeting the challenges and direction set through strategic planning. Nine of the 10 strategies have been successfully addressed. Twenty-nine of the 34 action plans within those nine strategies are complete or nearly complete.

Communication:

Communication with employees has improved dramatically with our site based organizational plan and voice mail system. Communication has improved with parents and the community with a new telephone system, a change in parent teacher conferences, and newsletters.

Many organizations talk about site based decision making. Our people are making it work! The site based organizational plan, in place for three years, has improved communication because all members of the school community have the opportunity to participate directly or through school improvement team representatives. The quality of decision making has improved because everyone has ownership in decisions and red tape has been cut allowing more innovation.

Communication with parents and

the community is improved with more effective communication tools beyond the award winning district calendar and "Board Happenings," a synopsis of board meeting activities. Our state of the art telephone system, installed in 1994, offers a choice between live and automated attendant, voice mail, and "hotlines" for information regarding activities in classrooms, homework, school activities, and school closing. More and a greater variety of newsletters from classrooms, grade levels, schools, and the district "School Matters" provide important information for parents directly related to their children. An improved format for parent teacher conferences has made conferences more compatible with parents' schedules. This change was suggested to the district improvement team by the Frederic Parents Group.

Parent and community involvement:

We have seen an increase in parent and community involvement. Parent groups are now organized and active at each school. A business and industry advisory council, together with district personnel, developed recommendations for revised graduation requirements designed to ready our graduates for the workplace. This partnership with the business community resulted in graduation requirements for community service, an occupational exploration project, and demonstration of teamwork skills, personal management skills, and applied academic skills. The council organized an occupational skills and career exploration program with business, industry, and service agencies for juniors and seniors. The council also organized and is operating a Junior Achievement program for middle school students, and helped design and conduct an entry level employment survey of county business and industry. Through the county Strong Families, Safe Children planning effort, a partnership has been created with the public health department to provide school nurse services.

Help students reach full potential:

In our quest to graduate 100 percent of our students, we have improved services and programs to meet the needs of all students, concentrating on those most at risk. The new elementary "singing the social skills" has been enthusiastically received by students. It promotes self esteem while developing those life skills so necessary for working in collaboration with others; the most important occupational skill demanded by our local employers.

Middle school teaming, piloted at the sixth grade this year, has improved student attendance, reduced disciplinary contacts, and created a family atmosphere; smoothing the transition from the self contained elementary classroom to the departmentalized high school. Teamwork among students and teachers is emphasized.

The process for individualizing high school graduation requirements, allowing students to customize their class schedules to meet personal goals and needs, has been streamlined and made more friendly. Students are freed from overly restrictive requirements so they can pursue a direction consistent with their goals, needs and talents.

We have worked to align our curriculum with state standards, with developmental stages of students, and between grade levels and buildings. With this alignment we have been able to place more emphasis in integration of curriculum. Instruction becomes more meaningful when applications for skills and information is evident. Curricular integration allows teachers to draw relationships among academic disciplines, to draw on real life examples to emphasize key concepts, to incorporate music, film and literature into instruction, and to present opportunities for students to collaborate as they develop solutions to real life problems and dilemmas. Professional development activities this year have focused on integration of curriculum, including a two day curriculum writing workshop January 22 and 23 with Roger Taylor, a nationally renowned expert. We are close to finalizing a week long curriculum writing workshop in Grayling with Dr. Taylor for this summer. This will allow our staff to complete development of integrated curriculum units for use next year. We are also close to finalizing a two day January authentic assessment workshop with Dr. Taylor. As we integrate a greater proportion of our curriculum, it is important to ensure that the methods used to assess student achievement are consistent with our instructional methods and that we are assessing student attainment of the skills and concepts dictated by our curriculum.

To be continued next week

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THURS. 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •VB VS. CHARLEVOIX, home, 6 pm. •COMMUNITY ED CONCERT SERIES "GHS & MS Bands" pre-festival concert @ HS auditorium, 7:30 pm. •WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY. •MINIMAL FEE blood pressure & blood sugar screens 11 am - 12 noon @ COA. •TOPS MEETING @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. Call Linda @ 275-9918 for more information. •"SOUL SURVIVORS" meeting, a confidential support group to help with the journey of healing after a suicide @ Mercy Hospital gallery room, 6:30 pm. Call 348-2236 for more information.
FRI. 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BBB VS. WHITEMORE-PRESCOTT, away, 6 pm. •ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW - have fun and drive carefully!
SAT. 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ELEMENTARY SCIENCE FAIR @ Grayling Elementary gym. •COMMUNITY ED. DINNER THEATER "WMU Gold Company" @ Holiday Inn, 6 pm.
SUN. 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON. 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •FREDERIC ELEMENTARY PARENTS GROUP meeting, 7 pm. •KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ 12:10 pm, Chief Shapenagon's Motor Hotel.
TUES. 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BBB VS. BOYNE CITY, home, 6 pm. •GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Iron Gate Restaurant. •GRAYLING UPTOWN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION meeting @ 8 am, Stevens Family Circle.
WED. 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ Chief Shapenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W., weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321.

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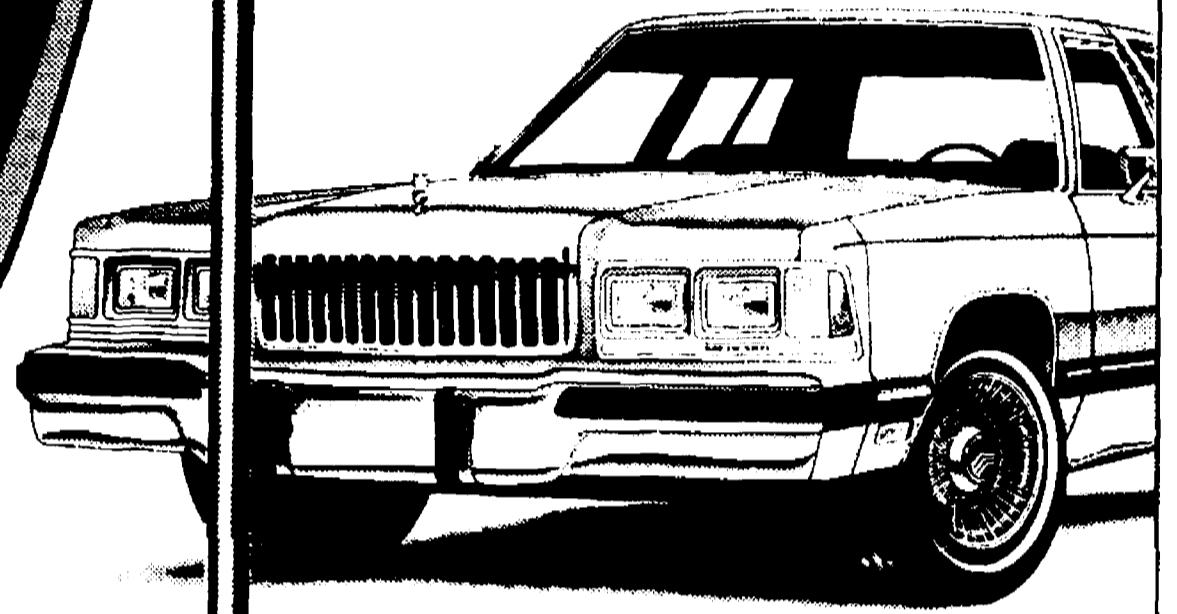
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Courthouse employees are hot and cold

Employees at the Crawford County Courthouse have been either freezing or roasting this winter due to the inadequate heating system currently in use.

When the building was designed in the 1960s, much of the office room was open space. Since that time, offices have been built closing off the air flow and preventing heat from adequately heating the entire building. The walls designed to create office space have also created saunas, causing some courthouse employees to operate their air conditioners when the

temperatures outside are below zero. Other employees have space heaters positioned under their desks to help ward off the cold temperatures.

At the ways and means meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, Gregory A. Widenmier of Honeywell, presented the commissioners with an estimate to repair the heating system at the courthouse.

Widenmier predicted the courthouse's boiler, which is the building's primary source of heat, would have a major failure within the next two to three years. He said the

building's secondary source of heat was the electric space heaters found under desks.

"You're at the useful life of the system," said Widenmier. "It's not functioning properly and it's costing money."

The proposal presented to the board was an estimate up to \$400,000 depending on which options are and are not taken.

Poor ventilation, computers, copiers and inadequate heating have led to complaints of employees.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

By Tracie Compton, Librarian

Memorials may be purchased at the from C.F. Fick and Sons, and Crawford County Library for a minimum of \$10 each. Suggested subject areas are welcome. If specific titles are desired, it is asked that you pay the purchase price. An acknowledgement will be sent to the family of the deceased that a book has been purchased.

In memory of Dick Rasmussen, *Lyle Official Antiques Review 1996* and *Short History Of Philosophy* from Matt and Lucy Orlando, *Winter Chill and Return With Honor* from Frances Edwards, *Lighthouses* by Roselyn and Earl Johnson, *Flies For Trout* by Whitey and Thelma Madsen, *Johnny Appleseed* by Aho and McHugh families, *Trying To Save Piggy Sneed* by Lyle and Ro Billings, *Behind The Lines* by Frances McHugh, *Not In The House Newton!* and *Princess Prunella And The Purple Peanus* by James Olivas, Jr., *Birding, Buddy Holly* and *In The Beauty Of The Lilies* by James and Mary Rasmussen, and *Gift From Saint Nicholas* by Ashley Feldhauser.

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In memory of Earl Isenhauer, *Big Book Of Small Household Repairs*

Kids by R. J. McDonald and Eleanor McDonald, and Wild And Wooly Mammoths, I Know An Old Lady and Carl's Birthday by Gar and Doris Schmidt.

Cornell Insurance and Real Estate donated *Martha Stewart Cookbook* for Margaret Stewart, *Brimstone Wedding* for Lois Bender, *World Almanac And Book Of Facts 1996* for Clarence "Bill" Baughn, *No More Water In The Tub* for Julia E. Kubas, *A Blue Butterfly* for Earl Rocco, *Sports Illustrated 1996*, *Sports Almanac* for Norman Wilson, *Gideon's Torch* for Lee H. Bader, *Fodor's Europe 96* for Raymond Smith, *In The Arena* for Robert "Bud" Sorenson.

In memory of Robert "Bud" Sorenson, *Richard Orr's Nature Cross-Sections* by Don and Puff Denton, *I Am Spock* by Shirley Devine, *Creations Of Fire* by Mary Jane Knibbs, and *Gardening For Wildlife* by Jack and Dorothy McClain.

In memory of Ralph Mesack, *Enigma, The Judge And Web* by Roscommon Veterinary Clinic.

In memory of Mary Sidwell, *Christmas Box* by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jansen.

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The Acting Company returns to KCC with Arms And The Man

The Acting Company, America's only professional theatre dedicated to touring classical works, is pleased to announce that its 1995-96 repertory includes a new production of Bernard Shaw's *Arms And The Man*. One of Shaw's most popular plays, *Arms And The Man* is both a romantic comedy and a satire that gently lampoons traditional concepts of love and war. Under the direction of Mark Rucker, this timeless comedy will be performed under the auspices of Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts. The Acting

Company's local engagement of *Arms And The Man* will be performed in Kirtland Community College's Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium on Tuesday, March 5, at 7 p.m.

Arms And The Man tells the story of Raina, a young Bulgarian woman who wants nothing more than to wait patiently for her dashing fiancee, Major Sergius Saranoff, to return from battle as a war hero. That is, until Captain Bluntschli, a decidedly unromantic mercenary, evades the advancing Bulgarian army by taking refuge in Raina's bedchamber. Raina scornfully calls him her "chocolate cream soldier" because he carries candies rather than cartridges in his belt. Through a series of mix-ups and revelations, Raina comes to terms with reality and disdains foolish romantic notions to claim the man she loves. *Arms And The Man* is the basis for Oscar Straus' immensely successful comic opera, *The Chocolate Soldier*.

In addition to the Tuesday evening performance of *Arms And The Man*, The Acting Company will be performing a 5-minute version of William Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* on Wednesday, March 6, at 10 a.m., in the Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium on the Kirtland campus. While accessible to audiences of all ages, this performance is being geared towards students grade five through eight as an introduction to the works of William Shakespeare. Seating is very limited. Advanced reservations are strongly encouraged. All seats are \$3.

For ticket information, or if you would like to make a reservation, contact the Kirtland Ticket Office at (517) 275-6777.

Correction

A name was left out of the Grayling Middle School's Honor List in last week's paper. Under "B" average or above for 7th grade, Danielle Outman should have been listed.

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ENGAGEMENTS



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Jacob Morse, son of Shannon Hinds and Dwayne Morse, would like to announce the engagement of his parents. Shannon is the daughter of Ron and Julie Hinds of Grayling, and Ed Campbell of Roscommon. Dwayne is the son of Linda and Dean Goss of Grayling, and Robert J. Morse of Clio. A July 20 wedding is planned.

Kirtland Ensemble Theatre to present *Love Letters*

Celebrate a belated Valentine's Day at Kirtland Community College on Saturday, Feb. 24, as the Kirtland Ensemble Theatre Company presents A. R. Gurney's *Love Letters* at 8 p.m.

Begin your romantic evening at 6:30 p.m. with a full buffet dinner served in the Kirtland cafeteria. At 8 p.m., move to the Gilben L. Stewart Auditorium as Managing Director Ron Koenig, and Roscommon's lovely Kim Horton-Smith present this sometimes sweet, sometimes biting, always brutally human story of a man and woman too stubborn to realize they are in love.

The 2-character play written by A. R. Gurney in 1988, has been presented

around the world by performers of international standing. It has the unique characteristic of viewing the developing relationship from the point of view of the letters written between the man and the woman during the course of their life.

For ticket information, or if you would like to make a reservation for either the dinner theatre performance or the performance only, contact the Kirtland Ticket Office at (517) 275-6777.

This performance contains language that may be considered offensive by some.

Ukrainian dance troupe to perform at Interlochen

An evening filled with invigorating and moving melodies, dancing and pure cultural artistry is planned for Thursday, Feb. 22, when the Veriokva Ukrainian National Dance Company performs at Interlochen.

Tickets to the concert are \$19 for adults and \$10 for students 18 and under. For additional information, contact the Interlochen Box Office at (616) 276-6230. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

Over 80 dancers, singers and musicians will illustrate the beauty, fantasy and folk humor of the Ukraine on their first-ever American tour. Breathtaking costumes, authentic music and exuberant folk dancing will be presented, as the troupe sings in their native language. The Ukraine musicians will play violins, mandolins, piccolo, bass, percussion, accordion,

Sixteen young women from around the state, all high school seniors, will arrive in Alpena Sunday, Feb. 25, all vying for over \$9,000 in cash scholarships and over \$200,000 in college scholarships, along with the title of Michigan's Junior Miss, and a chance to represent Michigan at the national program, America's Junior Miss, in Mobile, Alabama, in July. The state winner will be named following the program Saturday, March 2, in Alpena High School's Stanley C. Beck Auditorium. The young woman from Grayling in the competition is Jaymie Corlew, 1995 Grayling Jr. Miss, and daughter of Jim and Dalene Corlew of Grayling.

The girls week-long stay in Alpena will be very busy. Besides the very vigorous rehearsal schedule, they'll be taking part in many other events the Junior Miss committee has planned for them. The committee wants to let them see the warm and friendly port of Alpena. Among the many things scheduled are a tour of historic Alpena

homes, a visit to Olde Town Alpena, a tour of the Jesse Besser Museum and the Planetarium, a visit to the public-safety building where they will get a mini-course on self-defense, first aid and CPR, shopping downtown Alpena's unique shops. There will also be a special luncheon at Alpena's famous Owl Cafe, which will be hosted by the Alpena new car and truck dealers, and luncheons with the Alpena Rotary and Alpena Lions clubs at the Holiday Inn in Alpena.

While in Alpena, the girls are being lodged with eight host families throughout the Alpena area, so that it will help keep them in a home environment for the long week stay.

Tickets for the March 2 finals, which gets underway at 7:30 p.m. are \$15 for the main floor seating, and \$10 for balcony. They are available on a first-come basis at the Fletcher Motel/Grove Complex Office, 1000 Hwy. US-23 North, Alpena, MI 49707, Attn: Michigan Jr. Miss Tickets.

ROCK & ROLL—The 1995 Michigan Jr. Miss contestants will be performing at the Rock & Roll Concert on Saturday, March 2, at 8 p.m. at the Alpena Civic Center.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Al and Mary Harland of Grayling, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cyndi Harland, to Darl Drew Pollock II, son of Irene and Darl Drew Pollock of Gaylord. Cyndi is a 1976 graduate of Grayling High School, a 1991 graduate of Kirtland Community College, and a 1993 graduate of Ferris State University, with a degree in Child Development. She is currently attending Central Michigan University for a certification in Elementary Education, and is also employed at Patti's Towne House. Darl is a 1985 graduate of Johannesburg-Lewiston High School, and is currently employed at Al's Plumbing of Gaylord. A June 29 wedding is planned in Gaylord. A reception will follow at Beaver Creek Township Recreation Hall in Grayling.

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How To Pray

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The first petitions of our prayer address God's glory, His kingdom, and His will in verse 9c-10. "...Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as [it is] in heaven." We concur with the Psalmist: "The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all." (Psalm 103:19)

Everything in our prayers should

hallow or glorify God's name. "...Holy and reverend [is] his name." (Psalm 111:9c) Seraphim before the throne of God cry, "...Holy, holy, holy [is] the LORD of hosts: the whole earth [is] full of his glory." (Isaiah 6:1-8)

Praying, "Thy kingdom come" is a plea for the second coming of Jesus Christ to rule and reign as king upon earth. Christ promised to usher in a millennium of peace.

Praying "Thy will be done in earth, as [it is] in heaven" is praying God's future plan for everything on earth. The practice of sin or evil will no longer dominate our lives. Christ will rule all nations with a rod of iron. (Revelations 2:27; 12:5; 19:15)

Our last petitions concern our human needs for food, forgiveness, and victory over evil temptations. Our prayer, "Give us this day our daily bread" (Matthew 6:11) reminds us that our material needs are met daily by God, not government.

Our prayer for forgiveness can free us from the penalty, power, and

practice of daily sins. "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors." (Matthew 6:12) Through forgiveness we can now release from past guilt, anxiety, worry, and fear.

Our prayer for deliverance from evil temptations is a plea for God to protect us in the future from, the lusts of the world, our own proud flesh, and Satan's attacks. "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil!" (Matthew 6:13a)

Our prayer ends with all praise to God who alone is worthy of all worship. We praise our God as sovereign, omnipotent, holy, and eternal. "For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen." (Matthew 6:13b)

Pastor "B"

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HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

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Question: I've heard that during one snow storm several years ago in Detroit, 22 men died of heart attacks while shoveling snow. Because of this, it worries me when my husband insists on shoveling. Is there a safe way to accomplish this winter chore?

Signed: Wife of dedicated shoveler

Answer: Evidence has always linked snow shoveling to heart attacks. The

act of shoveling snow in itself may not be dangerous. The problem comes in when the shoveling is combined with a diseased heart or a heart susceptible to problems. Some studies show that just two minutes of shoveling wet, heavy snow can raise heart rates and blood pressure to dangerous levels, which could lead to a heart attack. Combine this activity with cold weather that naturally narrows arteries, and too much strain can be placed on the heart.

However, recently the American Heart Association advised that snow shoveling can be safe if certain precautions are followed. This organization recommends that snow shoveling be avoided by the following groups of people unless a doctor is consulted first. Consult a doctor first if you:

- Have a heart condition and were advised to participate only in medically-supervised physical activity;
- Experience shoulder or arm pain during or right after exercise;
- Have developed chest pain within the last month;
- Consider wearing a back brace with shoulder harness to avoid back injuries;
- Don't eat a large meal, smoke or drink alcohol before or after shoveling. These actions compound the strain on your heart.

The American Heart Association can provide more heart saving tips by calling 1-800-AHA-USA1.

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He Bore A Nation



This week, we, as a nation and as individuals, celebrate the birthday of George Washington, our nation's first president.

George Washington fought many hard battles for our country, both literally and figuratively. He had faith that the people of this young nation could govern themselves as a country, and laid the cornerstone on which our rights and freedoms would soon be established.

Today, we sometimes take our rights and freedoms for granted. We must remember that many of our forefathers died for these causes, giving us the gift of a free nation.

One of these special rights is that of religious freedom. Exercise that right this week in your local house of worship.

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OBITUARIES

William Kreger, Sr.

William D. Kreger, Sr., 72, of Beaver Creek Township, died Sunday, Feb. 18, 1996, at his residence. A prayer service was held Monday, Feb. 19, at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Pastor Bob Cochran officiating. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 10 a.m., at Gimbach-Kreun Funeral Home in River Rouge, with Pastor Terry L. Cashner officiating.

Mr. Kreger was born Aug. 14, 1923, in River Rouge, and moved to Beaver Creek Township 10 years ago from there. He was a retired truck driver for Armstrong Plumbing and Heating in Detroit. Mr. Kreger and his wife, Laveta, were married June 29, 1979, at the Lutheran Church in River Rouge.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William D. and Martha (Buckolz) Kreger.

Survivors include: wife, Laveta (Watson) Kreger of Beaver Creek Township; daughter, Leann and husband Albert Reynolds of Marietta, Georgia; mother-in-law, Laveta Watson of River Rouge; brothers-in-law, William and wife Marge Watson, and Robert Watson, both of River Rouge; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Mildred Chew

Mildred C. Chew, 83, of Grayling, died Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1996, at Mercy Hospital in Grayling. Funeral services were held Thursday, Feb. 15, at 2 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Reverend Douglas Patterson officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Mrs. Chew was born May 30, 1912, in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She had been a resident of Grayling since 1958, and formerly owned and operated Mildred Chew Real Estate in Grayling. Prior to

moving here, she owned and operated a floral business in Detroit.

Mrs. Chew was preceded in death by her husband, James Chew, in 1971, and by her parents, Henry and Lucy Tschudi.

She is survived by a sister, Lucille Tschudi.

The family suggests memorial contributions, in her name, to the Crawford County Animal Shelter.

Edward Lee

M. Eileen Lee

Edward J. and M. Eileen Lee of Jackson, died within hours of each other on Saturday, Feb. 10, 1996. Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 10 a.m., at Desnoyer Funeral Home, Jackson, and at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Interment was in St. John's Cemetery in Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee were preceded in death by a son, Jack, in 1990.

Survivors include: sons, Mike and wife Becky Lee of Grayling, Mark and wife Ann Lee of West Carrollton, Ohio, and Phillip and wife Carole Lee of Dewitt; daughters, Mary Ann and husband Ted Feick of St. Ignace, Jane and husband Dick Konkol, and Kate and husband Doug Swartz, both of Jackson; 22 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

James Bassett

James F. Bassett, 79, of Grayling and Lake Placid, Florida, died Saturday, Feb. 6, 1996. There will be a family service in May, at the Grave Site in Harbor Springs.

Mr. Bassett was born Feb. 8, 1916, in Harbor Springs, and was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II.

Mr. and Mrs. Bassett spent the winters in Lake Placid, Florida, and the summers in Grayling.

Survivors include: wife, Dorothy; daughters, Dianne Jones of Alpena, and Nancy Mayhew of Lake Placid, Florida; son, James G. Bassett of Grayling; sister, Helen Williams of Royal Oak; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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Permit No. M 00620

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality proposes to reissue a groundwater discharge permit pursuant to Part 31 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended (Act 451) being Sections 324.3101 through 324.3119 of the Compiled Laws of Michigan, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder, to:

Michigan Department of Military Affairs

The applicant proposes to discharge, to the ground, a maximum 1,100,000 gallons per day of municipal wastewater at their Camp Grayling - Training Site located in Section 17 of Grayling Township, Crawford County.

Comments or objections to the draft received by March 22, 1996, will be considered in the final decision to issue the permit. Persons desiring information regarding the draft, procedures for commenting, or requesting a hearing should contact: Groundwater Program Section, Waste Management Division, Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 30241, Lansing, Michigan 48906, telephone: (517) 373-8148.

Copies of the public notice, fact sheet, and draft may be obtained at the Waste Management Division Grayling District Office located at 1955 North I-75 Business Loop, Grayling, Michigan, telephone (517) 348-6371.

HONORS LIST

A total of 1,707 persons are on the official list of those who received degrees from Western Michigan University at the end of the fall semester of the 1995-96 school year.

Among them are Lloyd Ford, Jr. of Grayling. Ford earned a master's in Public Administration.

HONORS LIST

The dean's list for Northern Michigan University's fall semester, which ended Dec. 15, 1995, includes 1,376 undergraduates, including Heidi Craigie of Grayling.

Concert bands to perform pre-festival concert

1993. She teaches band and choir at the middle school and high school levels.

While at C.M.U., Tober served as a substitute conductor for the University Madrigal Singers and as a section leader for the Chippewa Marching Band. She was elected by the music faculty to represent the music department in a university-wide, faculty-based teacher preparation council.

Tober currently serves as treasurer for District II of the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association.

The Grayling High School band director is Dennis Ormsbee. Ormsbee received his bachelor of music education degree with a minor in applied music from Northern Michigan University (N.M.U.). He did graduate work at N.M.U., the University of Michigan, and the University of

Wisconsin.

Ormsbee taught in the Atlanta schools for 13 years prior to coming to Grayling, and is now in his 11th year as band director with the Crawford AuSable Schools.

Ormsbee has been the conductor of the District IX Honors Band three times. He is a member of the American School Band Directors Association and is on the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association's State Committee on Festival Improvements.

In 1992 and 1994, Ormsbee was nominated by District II M.S.B.O.A. for Director of the Year.

The senior high school festival will be held on Saturday, Feb. 24, and the junior high school festival will be held on Saturday, March 2. Both will be held in Traverse City. Doors for this concert will be open at 6:45 p.m., with a 7:30 concert in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School.

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a letter, after the taping, from the sponsor, Music Educators National Conference, stating that they were most impressed with how well-prepared the children were and that their enthusiasm was very contagious and added a great deal to the production. Don't forget to watch PBS on Thursday, March 7, at 1 p.m.

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BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

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"We've been extremely diligent. Everything is in place and now it's up to the people of Crawford County to come forward and say 'yes' to Habitat," said Gloria Mologianis, member of the Habitat steering committee.

The Crawford County Habitat For Humanity will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m., in the Grayling High School Library, to decide whether to go forward with its program.

Habitat For Humanity, founded in 1976, is an ecumenical, Christian

housing ministry with a mission to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. People, working together in partnership, realize new relationships and a sense of community as well as new housing.

"It's like a barn raising," said Ken White, chairperson of the committee. "Everyone works together, including the homeowner, to get the job done."

Through volunteer labor, management expertise and tax-deductible donations of money and

materials, Habitat builds and rehabilitates homes with the help of the homeowners.

Habitat is not a giveaway program, but a joint venture in which those who benefit from the housing ministry are involved in the work at various levels. Each homeowner family is required to invest "sweat equity" hours into the construction of their home. White said volunteers will be needed and utilized at all levels, highly-skilled (professional), semi-skilled and unskilled.

The building committee is looking at different options: building from scratch, erecting modulars and/or renovating existing sites.

"We would like to have a placement by this summer," White said. "We want this to work on a continuing, cooperative effort in order to provide housing for qualified homeowners here in Crawford County. The decision will rest on the volunteers of this community."

TSO to perform cabaret pops concert

David Holland will conduct when the Traverse Symphony Orchestra (TSO) celebrates the Broadway show tunes of Lerner and Loewe with a pops concert on Sunday, March 3, at 4 p.m., at Grand Traverse Resort in Acme.

Joining the TSO will be the Grand Traverse Chorale and NMC Chamber Singers, directed by Mark Puchala, local artists Marilyn Robbins-Tilley, Mary Lou Iauco-Bewley, Tom Emmott, and special guest artist, Joseph Piazza. The concert, sponsored by NBD Bank, will spotlight the Lerner and Loewe hits, *Camelot*, *Paint Your Wagon*, *Gigi*, *Brigadoon*, and *My Fair Lady*.

Following the concert, the TSO trustees and Grand Traverse Resort will host a benefit dinner in the resort's Trillium Restaurant. Tickets for both

the concert and the dinner are available from the TSO office at 3055 S. Cass, (616) 947-7120, as well as at Bahles of Suttons Bay, Kurtz Music and Edson Farms in Traverse City, and Real Estate One in Elk Rapids. The TSO's 44th season, "Celebrating Music," is underwritten by Old Kent Bank.

Piazza comes to Michigan from San Francisco, where he recently appeared with the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival as Antiphonous in *The Boys From Syracuse*, directed by Kevin Cole. He also played Valentine in *Two Gentlemen of Verona*, Tybalt in *Romeo and Juliet*, Guglielmo in *Così Fan Tutte*, and Biff Baker in the 1940s *Radio Hour*. He has also appeared as a guest performer and conductor with The Magnificat Baroque Orchestra, George Coates Performance Works, and the

San Francisco Symphony Chorus. Piazza is the director of ECCO, a premier youth choral group in the Bay area, as well as director of music at Piedmont School in Piedmont, California, teaching choral music, advanced placement music theory, composition and acting.

The Traverse Symphony, Michigan's only professional orchestra north of Grand Rapids, is a regional institution whose musicians are from throughout northern Michigan. In the last two years, the orchestra has performed public and student concerts in Leelanau, Benzie, Kalkaska, Antrim, Emmet, Charlevoix, Roscommon, and Grand Traverse counties. The TSO's 5-concert subscription season runs from October to April.

BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

Stephanie Hindmarsh, granddaughter of Betty Bennett, will be one of the cast of a play, *A Little Night Music*, put on by the Ridgedale Players in the north Detroit area. The play is running from March 8-24. Stephanie is a Grayling High School graduate and the daughter of the Wayne Hindmarshes of Detroit.

Mrs. Katie Funck celebrated a birthday recently on several occasions. She was the guest of cousins for lunch

at the Holiday Inn, and on another occasion, relatives from Marquette came to visit bringing a new great-niece named after Katie. Coming from Marquette were Mrs. John Van Dyke, her daughter Mrs. Richard Carroll and children Christine and Katie Marie.

St. Mary's Church in Grayling, is hosting the World Day of Prayer on March 1. It is non-denominational and everyone is invited to the 1 p.m. service.

Jeff and Tracy Renaud are the happy parents of a new daughter, Journey Cheyenne, who was born on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, 1996, at Munson Medical Center. She weighed 5 pounds, 5 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Robert and Nancy McLachlan and George and Lillian Wolfe, all of Grayling. Great grandparents are Joe and Donna Renaud of Grayling, Angus and Ruth McLachlan of Lakeland, Florida, and Tressa Fenton of Grayling.

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Local girl in state Miss Teen competition

Jill Ryther, 14, of Grayling, will be competing in the 1996 Miss Teen of Michigan Scholarship and Recognition Program to be held July 19-21 at the Stouffer Renaissance Hotel in Battle Creek.

Ryther was selected as a candidate based on her academic record and school activities, which includes forensics where she competed in oratory.

In order to cover the costs associated with competing, Ryther is looking for sponsors willing to support her in this competition.

Ryther attends 8th grade at Grayling Middle School. She enjoys writing and debate. She is considering a future as an author, but is also thinking about becoming a lawyer.

Ryther who lives in Grayling with her mother, Julie, said, "I think that it'll be really exciting. Whether I win or lose, I think it will be fun to go. I

know that I'll learn a lot."

The young woman selected as the state titleholder will receive a \$2,000 educational bond and an all-expense paid trip to the National Scholarship and Recognition Program where she will represent her state and compete for additional prizes and awards.

Ryther and the other contestants will be judged in five categories. The categories include personal development and achievement, scholastic record, general awareness, personality, projection and poise in formal wear, and the judge's interview.

Anyone interested in sponsoring Ryther can send donations to Jill Ryther, Rt. 4, Box 4583B, Grayling, MI 49738. Checks can be made payable to Teen Achievers of America. Although the cost of competition is \$385, any amount donated would be appreciated.



Jill Ryther

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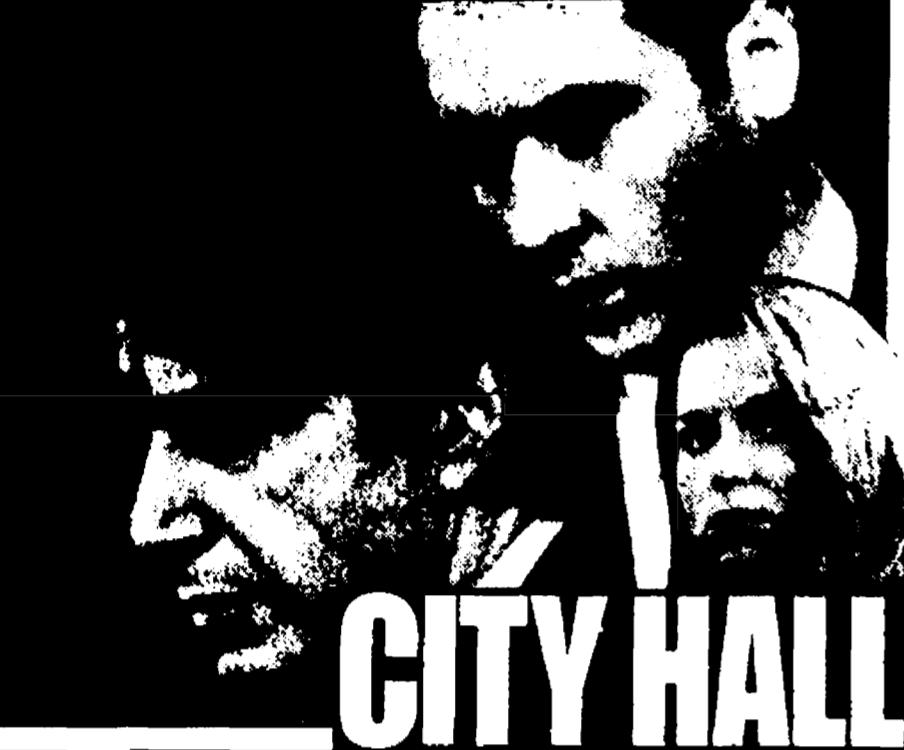
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Feb. 21—Roast Chicken/Roast Beef;

Feb. 22—Tuna & Noodles/Stuffed Peppers;

Feb. 23—Sweet & Sour Pork/No Dinner;

Feb. 26—Veal Birds/Beef Tips & Noodles;

Feb. 27—Roast Pork/Fish;

Feb. 28—Herbed Chicken/Kielbasa & Kraut;

Feb. 29—Beef Chop Suey/Meatloaf.

Remember Sunday Brunch on March 3. Sausage, biscuits and gravy as the special entree!

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: There's an old saying that you learn with your ears and not with your mouth; more truth than poetry!

Some up-coming things for the weeks ahead: Card parties on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m., and play bridge, euchre, pinochle, etc.; new activity on Fridays—Coffee Klatsch at 10 a.m. All seniors are invited to attend. Sit and chat with your friends and neighbors and get a chance to find out what the folks think about anything that is on their mind. It's fun and informative, too!

Baggo-cardo on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 3 p.m., and COA Board meeting at 5:30; Blood pressures and sugars taken at 11 a.m. to 12 noon on Feb. 22; and "Sadie Hawkins" dance with Tina on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 12:30 p.m.; dress in "Dogpatch" get-ups if you wish. Come one, come all for these activities and have a ball!

Remember the bad weather policy rule of thumb—if the Crawford-Ausable Schools are closed, then the center is closed for all meals and activities. The Meals-on-Wheels people are furnished with an emergency meal or two in their freezers

In memory of David Lemmen

The staff of Frederic Elementary have made a generous donation to the Grayling High School Media Center, in memory of David Lemmen.

The following books have been purchased: *Guide To Fly Fishing* by Cam Sigler; *TROUT* by Dick Sternberg, *The Art Of The Trout Fly* by Judith Dunham, and *The Basic Essentials Of*

Canoeing by Cliff Jacobson. In addition, a fifth book, *Canoeing Michigan's Rivers*, will be arriving soon.

The students of Grayling High School will be grateful to be able to read these additions to the media center's collection.



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FIN 340	Corporate Finance	Tuesday
MTH 336	College Algebra	Tuesday
PHL 302	Ethics	Tuesday
COM 122	College Writing II	Wednesday King
ECO 201	Macroeconomics	Wednesday
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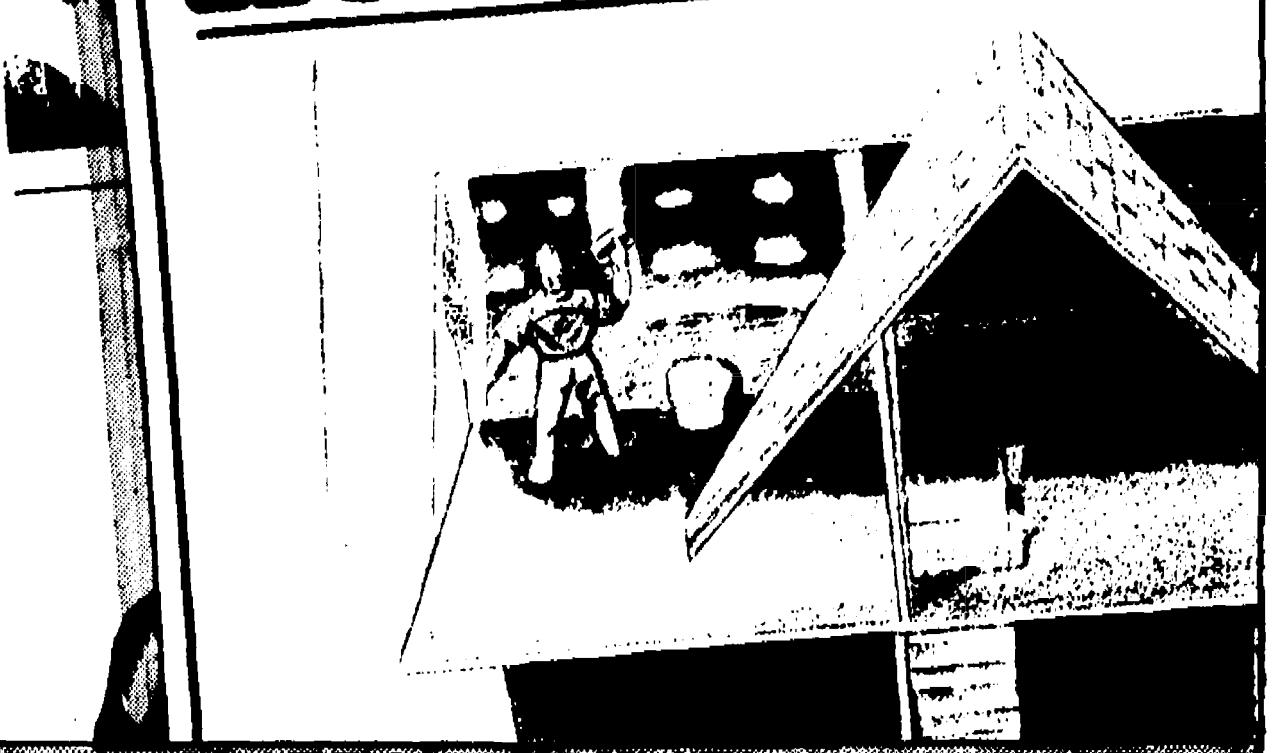
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Spring HOME IMPROV



CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

Your hometown newspaper

Students' reflections on a harsh winter

Miss Williams' First grade class
Grayling Elementary
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Brian Albers
I want the snow to go away, because I don't like to wear my winter clothes. I like to wear my summer clothes, because they are cool.

Kayla Pindell
I wish the snow would go away, 'cause I can ride my two wheeler motorcycle.

Erich Christman
I wish the snow would stay, for I can throw snowballs.

Ross Crawford
I wish the snow would melt, so I could go roller blading.

Branden DeRoche
I wish the snow would go away, so I could go to the beach. Because it is fun to lay in the water.

Ethan Hannum

I wish the snow would go away, because I don't like the winter. I like the summer. I don't know why.

Cammie Harrington
I wish the snow would stay, because I like to ski. Because I do, at Hanson Hills.

Andrew Hart
I wish the snow would melt, because it is bugging me. I don't know why.

Mitchell Hernandez
I wish the snow would go away, because it is bothering me. It's reminding me of Little Bit.

Whitney Keir
I wish the snow would stay because it is fun to play in it.

Annah King
I wish the snow would go away, because it is cold.

Robert Ramaswamy
I wish the snow would go away, so I can go swimming at the lake.

Scot Olson

I wish the snow would stay, so I could play in it.

Nick Parkinson

I wish the snow would go away, because it is cold.

Jamie Shaw

I wish the snow would go away, because it makes me wet.

Jim Boylan

I wish the snow would go away, because I want it to. I don't need it.

Colleen Fleischmann

I wish the snow would stay, so I could play.

Jess Fairbotham

I wish the snow would go away, because it is not comfortable. It is not fun to get hit by a snowball.

Geo Gasser

I wish the snow would stay, so I could make snowmen.

Kris Minnick

I wish the snow would stay, so I can play. It is fun.

RaeLeigh Galvani

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

Small businesses urged to check wage reports

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Correct reporting insures that employees have the proper wage amounts credited to their Social Security records. These amounts are used in calculating the Social Security benefits payable to them and/or their families if the worker dies, becomes disabled, or retires, and in determining the worker's eligibility for Medicare coverage.

Employers should use the W-2 form for the proper year. For example, a W-2 form for 1994, cannot be used to report 1995 wages.

Be sure to file Copy A of the W-2 form with the Social Security Administration. When a copy other than "A" is filed, it is more costly to process and may result in errors.

Frequent errors also include a misplaced digit in the Social Security number, failure to reflect a name change in the newly-married, and incorrect or misspelled names, particularly in the case of Hispanic surnames.

Send all W-2 (and W-3) paper reports to: Social Security Administration, Data Operations Center, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18769. Do not send W-2 paper reports to the IRS.

BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

Puff and Don Denton are carrying big smiles these days because they have a new granddaughter, Ashley Rae Reaume, who was born to Shelly and Ralph Reaume of Gaylord. Ashley arrived on Monday afternoon, Feb. 5, at Otsego Memorial Hospital, Gaylord. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long. Other grandparents are Ralph and Marian Reaume of Grayling, and great-

grandmother is Mrs. Isabel Denton of Grayling.

Mrs. Cathy Lester of Perranport, England, arrived on Monday at Cherry Capital Airport, Traverse City, where she was met by her mother, Mrs. Faith Stripe. Cathy is spending a couple of weeks with her mother.

Many of our Grayling young people finally find their way back to Grayling after a long absence. We welcome back Debra Lawe Fry and her husband, who have moved back from Texas. She stated she had been down there 24 years, and she now greets customers at the front desk of the Grayling Holiday Inn.

Nine-year-old Gregory Morrell, son of Heidi Larm, is now home from Mercy Hospital recuperating from surgery, which was done on Monday, Feb. 5. His mother says he is doing much better.

MILITARY NEWS

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Christopher N. Kelley, son of Thomas A. and Beth A. Kelley of Grayling, recently reported for duty aboard the submarine tender USS Frank Cable, homeported in Agana, Guam.

Kelley's new assignment is an example of how Navy and Marine Corps men and women are assigned to ships, squadrons and shore commands around the world. Whether serving in the Persian Gulf near Iraq, or in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, people like Kelley are making a difference as they work to improve their knowledge and skill as part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

The 1991 graduate of Grayling High School joined the Navy in February 1994.

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Four Vike wrestlers are district champs



Dale Kniss
215 pounds
41-1



Jason Hall
135 pounds
32-7



Ben Malonen
130 pounds
37-11



Eddie Davis
125 pounds
38-5

By Terry Wright
News Editor

Four Grayling Viking wrestlers have done what no other former Viking wrestlers have ever done, they have all become individual district champions in the same year.

Earlier in the week, the Viking team lost the team championship to Beavie Central by a 42-33 score.

Viking senior Dale Kniss, junior Eddie Davis and Jason Hall, and sophomore Ben Malonen all were crowned as district champs on Saturday, Feb. 17.

Kniss, wrestling at 215 pounds, easily pinned all three of his opponents to win the crown. Kniss now has an overall record of 41 wins and just one loss.

135 pound Jason Hall, who had missed the conference championships a week earlier due to illness, won two matches on decisions. Hall has accumulated an overall season record of 32-7.

130 pound Ben Malonen, shook off his own illness and pinned all three of his opponents. Malonen's overall record is 37-11.

Wrestling at 125 pounds, Eddie Davis pinned all three of his opponents also. Davis has earned a season record of 38-5.

"This is the first time we've ever had four champs," said Viking Coach Don Ferguson.

On Saturday, Feb. 24, the four champions will travel to Alma to compete in the individual regional championships.

Ferguson predicted his wrestlers would have a good day at the regionals, but said there are too many determining factors to predict if any would bring home regional championships.

"Any who qualify in the regionals will go on to the state championships," Ferguson said. "They all have the quality to go to state."

The state finals will be held in Battle Creek on March 8-9.

Local youth strives for Junior Olympic berth



Dan Bonamie

Sixteen-year-old Daniel Bonamie of Grayling, is pursuing a dream of being a member of the U.S. Junior Olympic Travel Team. Hopefully, down the road, this will result in a trial for the Olympic team at Colorado Springs, Colorado. But first, he must compete in the Northern Regional U.S. Junior Olympic Archery Developmental (JOAD) tournament in Wichita, Kansas. The cost of this trip is \$805.

If Dan does well in the northern regionals, he'll qualify for the U.S. National JOAD tournament in Texas. Again if he does well, he'll move on to the U.S. Junior Olympic Archery Touring Team—traveling around the U.S. gaining competition experience, and maybe catch the eye of the U.S. Olympic Archery Team officials. Finally, a possible trip to Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Currently, Dan is a member of the JOAD program, practicing in Kalkaska. He has participated in four JOAD shoots already this year, with excellent results. These shoots were held in Grand Rapids. He competed and finished first in his division (16-18-year-olds) at the JOAD State of Michigan Shoot, in early January. Also in January, he participated in Kalkaska's National Straits of Field Invitational on Feb. 4, and finished first in the state invitational on Feb. 11, in the 16-18-year-old division.

Dan is extremely active as a member of Grayling's Bear's Bowman Association. He participates in their weekly league shoots at Hanson Hills during the summer and winter. He belongs to the National Archery Association, and is a certified Level II archery instructor of the association. This winter, he has donated his time every Wednesday evening, instructing for the 4-H Archery series, also being held at the Bear's Bowman range.

Some of his other competition achievements include a first-place finish in his division at the 1995 Kalkaska Broadheadshoot, and a third-place finish in the 1995 Bear's Bowman Adult League. In the 1993-94 Bear's Bowman Winter league, he and his grandfather, Bill Weaver of Grayling, teamed for a first-place finish. He annually participates in Luzerne's 3-D Target tournament; in the last three years there, he finished with two first-place finishes and a second-place finish in his division. In

1993, at the age of 14, he competed while wearing a cast on his broken leg, managing a seventh-place finish in Bear's Bowman Adult League. He has participated throughout the state in various 3-D shoots, with the same first- and second-place results.

Dan has been actively participating in archery since he was two years old. He is extremely enthusiastic about organized competition and has prioritized his activities around archery. On Feb. 17 and 18, he is competing in another State JOAD

tournament in Fremont. This is a 2-day shoot, so he'll be leaving on Feb. 16.

Dan's parents continually get positive comments on his demeanor. He represents his community in a dignified manner, always displaying a positive attitude. This is his window of opportunity and he is wished the greatest success possible.

Any persons or businesses wishing to help Dan in any way can contact Bill Weaver at 348-7221, for further details.

Viking football team hosts lift-a-thon competition

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

If you've been working out and wouldn't mind showing off during some friendly competition, then the place to be is the 1996 Grayling Lift-a-thon Competition.

In order to raise money for the Viking football team, the team is hosting a competition lift-a-thon on Tuesday, March 26, at 7 p.m. in the Grayling High School. The competition is open to all community members, both male and female.

Despite the fact that football season doesn't officially begin until August, many members of the Viking football team are already preparing themselves mentally and physically for the upcoming season. The team meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays, after school to lift weights. Designed for athletes

that are not active in winter sports, the after-school program is growing with many students coming every night to lift.

"We feel that weightlifting is very, very important," said Coach Rodney Patterson. "We have to lift in the off season if we are going to be competitive. If we don't lift, it's going to be hard for us to compete."

"It gets everyone in sync before the year starts," said Joe Stabinski, junior, about the team's weightlifting program. The players encourage and challenge each other, pushing to achieve more. "We think like we're brothers, blood. That helps a lot as a team."

Coach Patterson said, "We play teams that have year-around weightlifting programs. In Class B competition, if you don't lift, it's very tough to

compete."

Stabinski agreed saying, "I felt physically dominated last year (by other teams)." He feels that the weightlifting program has helped him get stronger although he continues to strive to get better.

"I think that our entire season depends on what we are doing up here," said junior Jeremy Colby of the weightlifting program. I want to start on the team, he said. "But mainly, I want to have a good team. We have to be as strong as the other teams to do that."

Coach Patterson and Basketball Coach Rich Moffit agree that weightlifting is not only important to the football team, it is important to the basketball team as well.

"If we are to be successful in the future, lifting weights, our dedication to the weight room, is a must," said Coach Moffit. "It's pretty obvious we have a long ways to go."

"We need to hit the weight room, it's going to pay off," said Patterson. "I'm really pleased with the effort of a lot of our students."

"We, as coaches, understand even schools the size of Grayling have to share athletes," said Patterson. "Playing basketball doesn't hurt football and playing football doesn't hurt basketball."

In order to participate in the lift-a-thon, participants must collect a minimum of \$5 in pledges or donate \$5 to participate. All participants will receive a free Lift-a-thon t-shirt. Individual honors for first, second, and third in each division will also be awarded.

For male entrants, the maximum lift out of three lifts will be recorded. The total weight above the body weight wins. For example, if a participant weighs 200 pounds and lifts 300 pounds, the total lift is 100 pounds. Male entrants can also do the body weight max-out, where the contestant

lifts their body weight as many times as possible.

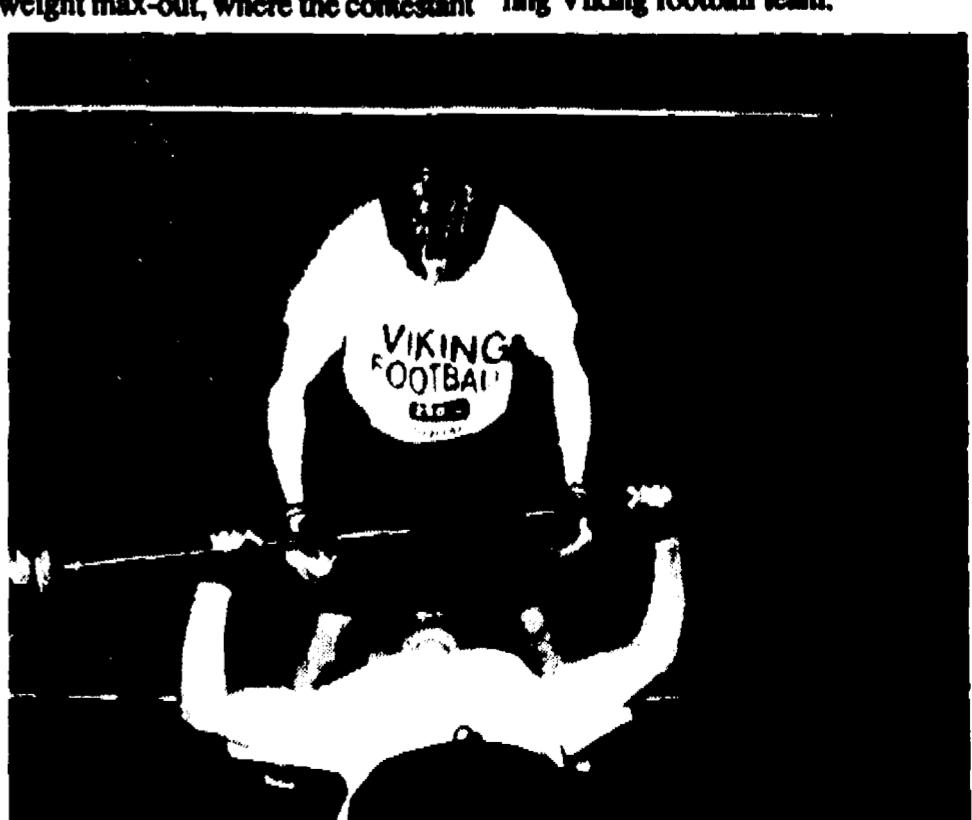
For female entrants, the challenge will be to do as many lifts as possible in a row, lifting 50 percent of your body weight.

There are four competition divisions; Division 1 is for males in grades 7-9; Division 2 is for males in grades 10-12; Division 3 is for males in grades 11-12 and no older than 18 years of age; Division 4 is open to community members.

If interested in participating in the lift-a-thon, return the entry form by Friday, March 22. Entry forms can be mailed to or dropped off at the Grayling High School, attention Coach Rodney Patterson. Entry fees are due the day of the competition. All proceeds will directly benefit the Grayling Viking football team.



Grayling lift-a-thon competition
MEMBERS OF THE VIKING FOOTBALL TEAM ARE HARD AT WORK -- building their strength and endurance in preparation for the upcoming football season. Pictured at left is Josh Stabinski, above (L to R) is Neal Jozsa, Joel Woldan, Jeremy Colby and pictured at right is Jeremy Colby benching as Joe Collen spots.



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Strong play continues for netters

The Grayling volleyball team finished another strong week with wins against Charlevoix and Onaway. The team managed to compete well against a tough line up at the Tawas invitational, placing fourth with Gladwin taking the tournament.

The Viking netters continues to dominate net play behind the strong hitting of Amy Neal, Brooke Blaauw, Jessica St. Germain, Jessica Waite, Monica Lawrence and Trisha Ormsbee. The Grayling setters, Vicki Creps, St. Germain, Jennifer Wejrowski and Kristy Cadeau, have picked up the pace, delivering effective sets to boost the attack.

Erin Smith, Rebecca Shahan and Nicole Craigie have come off the bench in key situations and the Vikes have all been passing well, said Coach Rebecca Brown.

The netters will have an entire week off before the conference tournament in Onaway on Friday, Feb. 23. The break has caused some concern for Coach Brown.



"We have been on a good pace," she said, "building a lot of momentum with three play dates a week. The down time could be a plus because the team is fatigued and we will have an opportunity to practice some needed corrections. But we'll have to work harder to keep up the competitive drive, pushing each other in the absence of games."

"The league tournament is always exciting for each team," said Coach Brown. "Even if you're not favored, there's a chance to be the spoiler."

Rogers City and Whittemore-Prescott will head into the conference in 1st and 2nd place, respectively. With Grayling's recent rally, the Vikings have moved into 3rd.

Brown believes her team is capable of winning and hopes to play 'David' to their 'Goliath' on Friday.

GSB race clinic results

Last Sunday's ski conditions proved to be icy for the 35 area kids that took part in the GSB race clinic at Hanson Hills. John Alef said, "The icy conditions produced some hard and brutal falls." The clinic will wrap up next Sunday with races and the presentation of awards.

In the kindergarten group, Rachel Doremire skied her way to a first-place finish, followed by Jessica Riddle second, and first-time racer Avery Diola third. Isaac VanNuck tried the course for the first time, and took the top honors for the boys' group. Once again, Jill Seager took the first place finish in the first- and second-grade girls group. Zach Dean worked his way into the first-place finish for the boys, followed by Kody Diola second, and Andrew Hart third.

The third- and fourth-grade girls and boys had an impressive turnout, with Allyson Diola first for the girls, followed by Nichole Dixon second, Nichole Doremire third, and Jodi Riddle fourth. Joey Highlen squeaked

out the win for the boys, followed by Adam Alderman second, Matt Seager third, Trevor Clough fourth, Zach VanNuck fifth, Jimmy Jansen sixth, Paul Montagne seventh, Josh Huffman eighth, and Mark Tharp ninth.

In the fifth- and sixth-grade girls group, Andrea Alvarez led the way with a first-place finish, followed by Sasha Latuszek second, and Britini Baker third. Justin Hanes led the boys for the second week in a row, followed by Keil Clough second, Eric Hart third, Damien Fleischmann fourth, Randy Tharp fifth, and Josh Jurkovich sixth.

As the season progresses, some skiers show strong improvement in their skills, this week Geoff Montagne showed that improvement as he put together the two fastest runs of the day, to lead the seventh- and eighth-grade boys. Eric Podjaskie finished second, Jason Boreo third, Paul Jansen fourth, and Matt Thomas fifth.

Spectators are welcome to come and show support for the kids as the race season comes to an end on Sunday, Feb. 25. After the racing, you will be invited into the lodge to watch the presentation of the end-of-the-year awards.

Holiday Inn Viking of the week



Volleyball Monica Lawrence

Viking senior Monica Lawrence, generally an offensive threat, led her team to victories this week with outstanding defensive play.

The Grayling Viking Varsity Volleyball Team would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people for helping to make their 4th Annual Subway Invitational such a huge success.

Many thanks to Ole Dam Party Store, Rochette's, Glen's Market, 7-Eleven, McDonalds, Rite-Aid, Mac's Drugs, and Stevens Family Circle. Our thanks also to all the parents who helped man the concession stand and provided the great sloppy joes, the JV players for their assistance as line judges and scorekeepers, and all the fans for their great support. A special thanks also to Jamie Potter.

The day was a huge success and we took home the second place trophy.

Varsity Volleyball
Vicki Creps
Brooke Blaauw
Amy Neal
Tricia Ormsbee
Jennifer Wejrowski
Monica Lawrence
Jessica St. Germain
Erin Smith
Jessica Waite
Nicole Craigie
Rebecca Sheahan
Kristy Cadeau

Holiday Inn Viking of the week



Girls' Skiing Katie Olson

Viking freshman Katie Olson placed first on the team in three of four races recently. As a freshman, she will be counted on to be a future team leader.

Ski Conditions Report

Projected Weekend Ski Conditions

Hanson Hills Ski Area - Grayling

Average Base: 15-25 inches packed base. Downhill Surface Conditions: All trails and lifts in operation, packed powder and machine groomed. Cross Country Surface Conditions: 35 km, hard packed track set of trails open from 9 am til dusk, seven days a week. Hours: Open Thursday & Friday 5-9 pm; Saturday 11 am-9 pm; Sunday 11 am-5 pm. 348-9266.

Cross Country Ski Shop - Grayling
Average Base: 1 foot packed base. Surface Conditions: 2.5 miles open, groomed, double set track, 12 ft. wide. Skating lane. Soft conditions. One mile lighted loop open. No trail fee. Store Hours: Monday through Friday 9 am to 6 pm, Saturday & Sunday 9 am to 6 pm. Ski equipment and snowshoe rental available. (517) 348-8558

Cross Country Ski Headquarters - Higgins Lake

Average Base: 8 inches Surface Conditions: Very good, freshly groomed, all trails open. Track set, skating lanes combed. Hours: Open Friday & Saturday, 9 am to 9 pm; Sunday through Thursday, 10 am to 6 pm. 2 lighted trails open Friday & Saturday, dusk til 9 pm. (517) 821-4661. Special Note: Serving hot chocolate on Saturdays in the Trapper's Cabin.

This week's Ski Conditions Report is brought to you by

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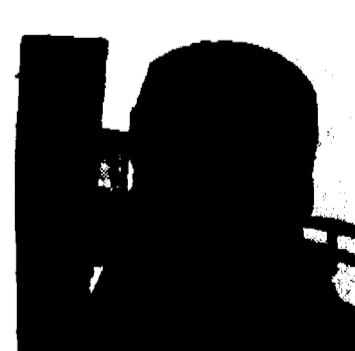
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Holiday Inn Viking of the week



Boys' Skiing Ryan Schlehuber

Viking senior Ryan Schlehuber was the top skier in all four boy's meets in the past week. Ryan qualified for state finals at Boyne Mt. on Feb. 26.

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Vikings beat Roscommon, lose to AlconaBy Terry Wright
News Editor

The Grayling Viking boys' basketball team split two games last week, beating the Roscommon Bucks 51-47 on Tuesday, then losing to the Alcona Tigers in a conference game on Friday, by a 67-55 score.

Versus Alcona on the Grayling home court, the Vikings fell behind in the first quarter and were unable to catch the Tigers. At the half, the Vikings trailed by a 32-27 score, then closed the gap to only two points in the fourth quarter, before Alcona took control for the victory.

The Vikings overall record fell to five wins against 11 losses. Alcona

improved to 12-9.

Senior center Scott Hartman was the only Viking to score double figures finishing the night with 13 points. Freshman Matt LaForest scored nine points. Seniors Corey Northrop and Chris Kucharek added eight points each and senior Joe Godlewski scored seven points. Senior Jason Thompson scored five points as did junior David Sabin.

Nathan Franklin was the game-high scorer, hitting 28 points for the Tigers.

Hartman brought down eight rebounds and Northrop and LaForest recorded seven and six assists respectively. LaForest also stole the

ball from the Tigers three times.

"Our kids battled back all night," said Viking Coach Rich Moffit. "They showed a lot of character."

At Roscommon, a huge fourth quarter brought the Vikings back from a 5-point, third quarter deficit. The Vikings scored the last five points of the game to take the victory.

"Our kids played an outstanding game," Moffit said. "Defensively, we forced Roscommon to hit only 17 of 49 from the floor. We only committed 11 turnovers."

LaForest led the Viking scorers with 11 points, followed by Northrop with 10, Sabin with eight, Godlewski

with seven, Thompson with six, and Kucharek with five. Hartman added two points, as did junior Ed Bayham.

LaForest and Northrop had seven and five assists respectively, while Thompson pulled in five rebounds.

"We had outstanding balance and received contributions from a number of players who hit pressure shots down the stretch. The young freshman LaForest, also came up with some big shots and several outstanding passes."

On Tuesday, Feb. 20, the Vikings hosted the Boyne City Ramblers and on Friday, Feb. 23 Grayling will travel to Whittemore-Prescott to challenge the conference-leading Cardinals.

BOWLING LEAGUES**Senior Citizen League**

Bucilli's	53-35
Sylvester's	51-37
Totten's Body Shop	46-42
Century 21	44-44
Comell's	43-45
Bayham	41-47
Flowers by Josie	37-51
Larry & Joan's	37-51
Robidoux Const.	10-18
Men's High Game: P. Mead, 189, 185, G. Wolfe, 183. Men's High Series: P. Mead, 528, G. Wolfe, 504, E. Wilde, 500.	221, D. Canfield, 216. Men's High Series: J. Helsel, 650, D. Canfield, 570, L. Helsel, 511.
Women's High Game: G. Donnelly, 202, J. Miller, 183, A. Kuszak, 166. Women's High Series: G. Donnelly, 446, V. Johnston, 446, A. Kuszak, 445.	200, C. Rakoczy, 170. Women's High Series: K. Moshier, 561, S. Summer, 514, E. Helsel, 453.

American Mens League

Fenton's Auto Service	41-8
McLeans Hardware	28-21
Auto Parts	24-25
Stitches by Sue	23-26
Upper Lake Tins	23-26
Red Barn	21-28
BCI	20-29
Rod's Auto Body	16-33
High Game: C. Yost, 209, P. Nunn, 199, L. Davis, 203. High Series: P. Nunn, 561, D. Mansfield, 534, G. Fenton, 526.	209, B. Evan, 188. Men's High Series: L. Helsel, 203, R. Myers, 189, B. Evan, 188. Men's High Series: L. Helsel, 560, B. Evan, 526, M. Summer, 508.

Thursday Coffee League

Lone Pine	21.5
Johnson's Survey	21
Buccilli's	19
Glen's Market	15
AuSable Construction	14
Shady Acres	13
Plaza Bar	12.5
Wakeley Auto Parts	12
High Game: B. Helsel, 183, 182, S. France, 179, J. Tanski, 174. High Series: B. Helsel, 515, S. France, 497, C. Albright, 465.	183, 182, S. France, 179, J. Tanski, 174. High Series: B. Helsel, 515, S. France, 497, C. Albright, 465.

Sunday Night Mixed Doubles

US & Them	21-7
CSI	17-11
Glen's Market	17-11
M.A.D.S.	14-14
Mac's Drugs	13-15
Computer Services	10-18
All Seasons Drywall	10-18

Friday Night Mixed Doubles

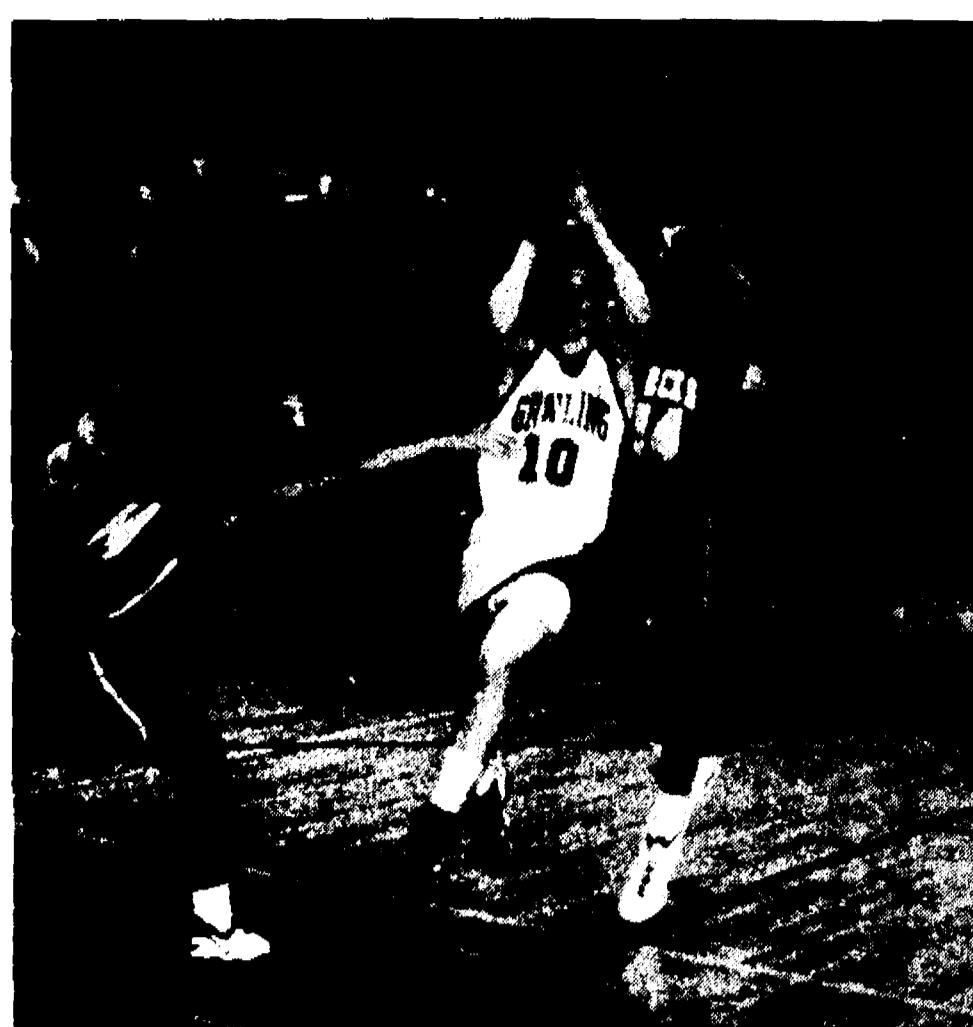
No Fear	24-12
Moshier Auto Repair	22-14
Advance Collision	19-17
AJD	17-19
A. Bulldog Towing	17-19
Cedar Motel	16-20
Aunt Betty's	15-21
A.H. Rental & Repair	14-22
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National League

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VIKING HOOP-STARS--Grayling's Matt LaForest (Above) and Jason Thompson (Left), move to the basket in the recent basketball game with the Roscommon Bucks. LaForest led the Vikings in scoring with 11 points. Thompson was named his team's "Viking of the Week" for team leadership. The Vikings beat the Bucks by a 51-47 score.

Photos by Tom Haskel



MARK YOUR CALENDAR — The Pom Pon team will be performing at the Grayling High School Boys Basketball game on Tuesday, Feb. 27. The Pom Pon team is sponsored by the Grayling Recreation Authority. Coaches are Carrie Wells and Jenny Evans.

POOL LEAGUE

Men's Pool League February 5, 1996		Frogs	32-40
Red Barn I	62-28	Red Barn II	29-43
Plaza	46-44	Breakers	23-49
Frederic Inn	46-44	Women's Pool League	
Weyerhaeuser	44-28	Legion	61
Chief Shoppington's	45-45	Shoppenagon's	57
Spike's	33-39	Plaza	51
		Spike's	47

Shane Hinkle

Former Viking now starting for Delta

Former Grayling Viking all-stater Shane Hinkle, tossed in 22 points for Delta Community College Saturday, Feb. 2, as the Pioneers defeated Oakland Community College 111-86.

Hinkle is shooting a sizzling 53 percent from the 3-point arc this season. Delta has a 7-2 Michigan Community College Eastern Conference record.

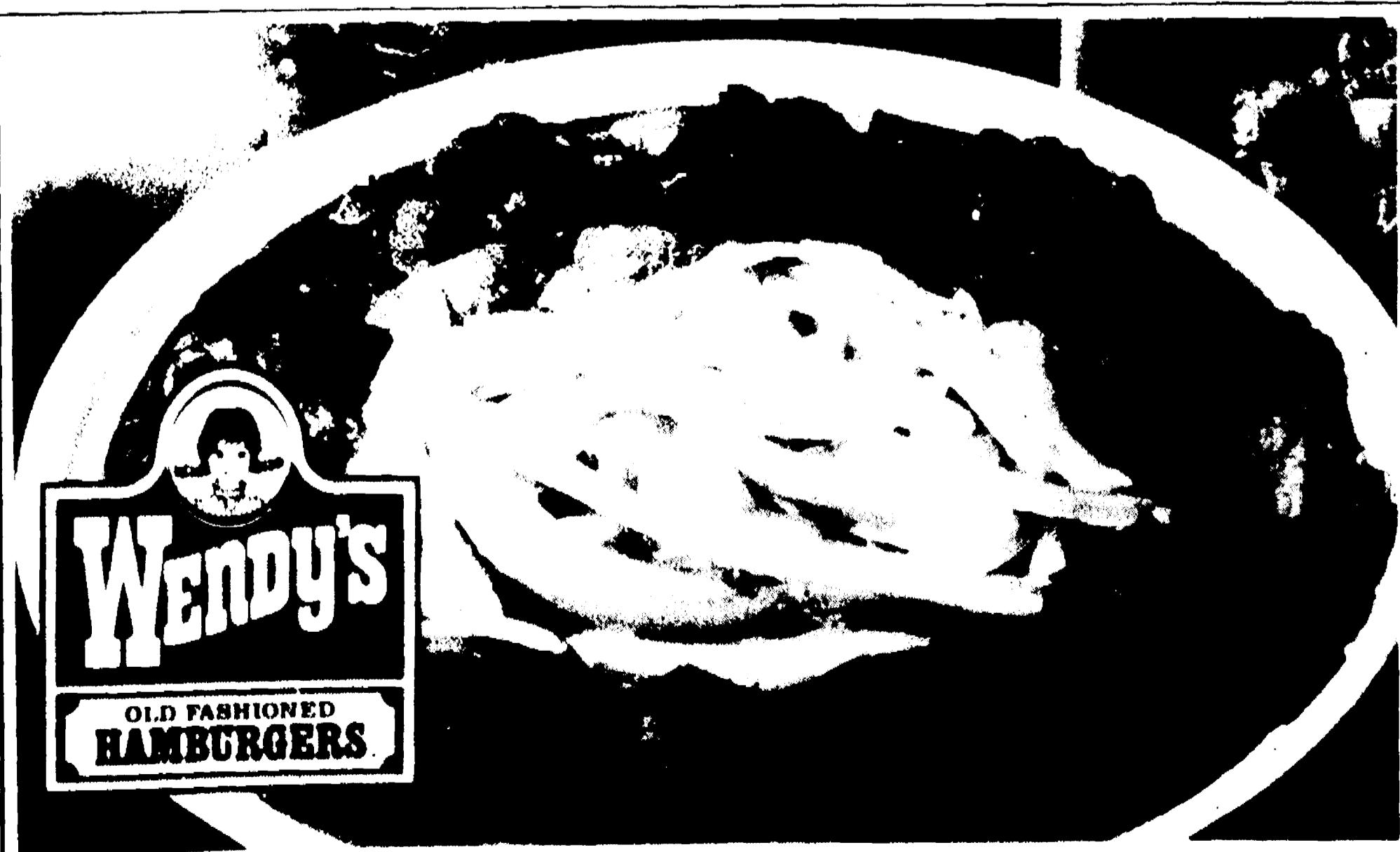
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Decedent's Estate

File No. 96-005511-JE

Estate of Margaret Elizabeth Stewart.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by this hearing.

NOTICE: A hearing was held on Jan. 18,

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Michigan before Judge John G. Hunter on the

petition of Florence A. Hough requesting

Florence A. Hough be appointed personal

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who lived at 4978 Dawn Drive, Grayling, MI

49738, Michigan, and who died Dec. 24, 1995,

and requesting also the will of the deceased

dated Nov. 1, 1995 be admitted to probate.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the (proposed) personal representative or to both the probate court and the (proposed) personal representative within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will then be assigned to entitled persons appearing of record.

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CLAIMS NOTICE

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File No. 96-005523-JE

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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

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"The horticultural approach to Environment.

landscape design has introduced a large number of harmful exotic species to our local flora," Grese says.

Among those harmful species Grese lists common buckthorn, autumn olive, European honeysuckle, Japanese honeysuckle and purple loosestrife, all of which often eliminate a good number of desirable native species. Landscaping the "natural" way can mean less dependence on watering, chemicals, and labor in the long run. But Grese does admit the natural landscape will probably never be maintenance free. So, don't throw out manual clippers or your favorite shovel, hoe or rake.

"Instead," Grese said, "natural design landscapes begin to engage people in learning something about the quiet beauty of the local flora and provide them an opportunity to contribute personally to helping rebuild the integrity of local ecosystems.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Board members present were Schable, Hopp, Haberland, Fuchs and Duby, along with six others.

Minutes of the 1-9-96 board meeting were accepted. Bills in the amount of \$6,267.60 in the Fire Fund, \$1,940.91 in the General Fund, \$1,940.91 in the Fire Fund, \$2,237.65 in the Landfill Fund, and \$37.29 in the Liquor Fund were approved to be paid.

The treasurer's report was accepted and correspondence placed on file.

Fire Chief reported three runs, zoning administrator issued one permit. Zoning board is reviewing revised ordinance book.

Annual budget hearing will be held at the March 12, 1996 board meeting.

Schable reported on his meeting with City Environmental.

Motion approved to pass salary resolution for 1996-1997 fiscal year. No raises were requested by board members.

Motion to adjourn at 7:32 p.m.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

For Your Local Sports Action

NOTICE
LOVELLS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW/BUDGET HEARING

The Lovells Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 1996, from 9 am to 12 noon.

The board will meet with taxpayers on Monday, March 11 and Tuesday, March 12, 1996, from 9 am to 12 noon and 1-4 pm at the Lovells Township Hall.

The following are the tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Lovells Township.

CLASS	RATIO	FACTOR
AGRICULTURAL	50.00	1.0000
COMMERCIAL	43.28	2.3106
RESIDENTIAL	50.00	1.0000
PERSONAL	50.00	1.0000

The budget hearing for the General Fund, Fire Fund, Landfill Fund, Liquor Fund and Library Fund Budgets for fiscal year 1996-97 will be held at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Lovells Township Board on Tuesday, March 12, 1996, at 7 pm.

Frederic Schable

Lovells Township Supervisor

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NOTICE
TAXPAYERS OF MAPLE FOREST

Maple Forest Township Board of Review will hold its Organizational Meeting on March 5, 1996, at 9 am.

The Board of Review will meet with the public on the following dates & times:

March 11, 1996 - 9 am to 12 noon & 1-4 pm

March 13, 1996 - 1-4 pm & 5-8 pm

Mark Kniss
Supervisor

NOTICE
SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, on the following dates.

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 5th at 7 pm.

To Meet with Taxpayers:

Monday, March 11, 9 am to 12 noon and 1 to 4 pm.

Thursday & Friday, March 14 and 15 at 6 to 9 pm.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
AGRICULTURAL	50.00	1.00000
COMMERCIAL	50.00	1.00000
INDUSTRIAL	50.00	1.00000
RESIDENTIAL	50.00	1.00000

Mary M. Mollon, Clerk

-15-22-9

NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
CRAWFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Crawford County Sheriff's Office is requesting for proposals on an exclusive towing service contract.

Contractor services shall adhere to all contract provisions. The contract is available for review, copy or upon request at the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

Request for proposed bids will begin on February 14, 1996. A prospective bidders conference will be held on February 21, 1996, at 2 pm at the court house. The sealed bids will be taken on March 8, 1996, at 2 pm, EDT, in the lobby of the court house.

Crawford County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, or portion thereof, or re-issue a bid solicitation.

Crawford County will not discriminate against any persons on the basis of his or her color, sex, religion, age, race, political affiliation or national origin.

Any questions should be directed to the sheriff or undersheriff at (517) 348-4616.

NOTICE

The following vehicle will be offered for sale at public auction to be held at 10 am on February 29, 1996, at the lobby of the Crawford County Sheriff Department. The vehicle is located at Rikers Towing Service at 884 Millikin Road, off North Down River Road, Grayling. If anyone is interested in viewing the vehicle prior to the sale.

1983 Buick Skylark, blue
#1G4AB69RODW436106

For further information, please contact Deputy Dean L. Goss at the Crawford County Sheriff Department, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

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NOTICE

As of Thursday, February 22, 1996, at 6 am, The Road Commission For Crawford County has put on weight restrictions for travel on all primary and local roads.

At a minimum, commercial haulers are expected to comply with the Michigan Department of Transportation Standard, which is load

FACTS AND FEATURES

YOUR HOROSCOPE

Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast For: February 18 - 24, 1996

ARIES Your personal affairs are of no concern to others. March 21-April 19 Keep your thoughts and opinions to yourself.

TAURUS Need a loan? Now's the time to go shopping. April 20 - May 20 Most bankers will look forward to seeing you.

GEMINI Your luck has finally run out. Tuck your tail between your legs and head for home. No one there will care. May 21 - June 20

CANCER Your perception of duty is admirable; but don't let it stand in the way of your personal happiness. June 21 - July 22

LEO New skills will help your confidence to grow. Look for more ways to increase your knowledge. July 23 - Aug 22

VIRGO A social function lends a hand to romance. What may seem like antagonistic behavior is merely stress. Aug 23 - Sept 22

LIBRA Keep your head out of the clouds or you will not be able to finish essential chores. Sept 23 - Oct 22

SCORPIO Don't believe everything you hear. Idle gossip is the devil's own workshop. Oct 23 - Nov 21

SAGITTARIUS You can't afford not to purchase big bargains. Shopping excursion will net big returns. Nov 22 - Dec 21

CAPRICORN Procrastinating now, may actually help you at a later date. Use your extra time wisely. Dec 22 - Jan 19

AQUARIUS Everyone makes mistakes, but be careful yours is not a costly one. Examine your motives and your capabilities. Jan 20 - Feb 18

PISCES Financial security is still elusive. Build your empire one brick at a time. It will stand longer. Feb 19 - March 20



FOUR PUPPIES NEED HOMES These lab-mix puppies are 9 weeks old and would love new homes. If you would like to give them a home, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

During the winter, check the inside of your dog's kennel periodically for mold and mildew. If present, there is an increased risk of respiratory and skin infections, warns the Animal Protection Institute.

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago

Feb. 22, 1973

Crawford County has just received their new ambulance. It has emergency lighting and is equipped with one spot light on each side, two flood lights on either side, and two loading lights over the back door controlled by an automatic switch. Also there is a suction device which can aid in clearing a patient's air passage. The word Ambulance on the front of the vehicle is on backwards and is reflectorized so that when the ambulance is approaching another vehicle from the rear, the driver of the civilian vehicle can read the word "Ambulance" when he looks in his rear view mirror.

Shortly before 5 a.m. Sunday morning, and in near zero weather, an elderly Crawford County couple walked barefoot through the snow to get help when their home caught fire in Beaver Creek Township. Arthur Howe, 67, and his wife, Effie, 76, were treated for frostbite and minor burns after reaching their nearest neighbor near the Crawford-Roscommon County line. The fire apparently started in the kitchen and was explosive in nature.

For the first time this summer, Grayling Little League is offering our advanced baseball program for the boys 13 through 15 years of age. This league is known as the Senior League.

It is announced that Mrs. Fred "Jean" Arwood will assume the duties of Grayling Little League President this year. Bill O'Mara will guide our Senior League. Both Jean and Bill have a wealth of experience in Little League. Jean with six years as scorekeeper and concession operator and Bill with many years involved in baseball down state.

Navy Seaman Cary Vajda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vajda of Star Route, Grayling, has reported for duty at the Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, Oak Harbor, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. John Millikin of Grayling, are the parents of a daughter, Jaymie Lynn, born on Feb. 16, and weighing 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Milltown Corner, soon to be Grayling's most unusual business and shopping area, will house Don's Pipe Shop, Hubbard's Barber Shop, Grayling Office Supply, Parker Surveying, Marlene's Beauty Salon, Cornell Realty, Inc., and Stanley Products.

The Grayling Viking boys' ski team qualified for the state regional meet, to be held on Mon. Feb. 26, at Boyne Falls Thunder Mt. to determine which

school has the best ski team in the state.

Members of the team are Bruce King, Kevin Zimmerman, Dave King, Dennis Theaker, Tom Vajda, Francis Lennert and Herbert Olson.

46 years ago

Feb. 23, 1950

An "all dairy" program and meal were enjoyed Monday evening by the members of the Kiwanis Club of Grayling, as the club's newest member, Les Hunter, took charge of the program.

A car driven by Frank Smith of Bellaire, was in a collision with the Crawford County Road Commission sanding truck about noon Friday on M-72 near the Manistee River Bridge west of Grayling. The truck was driven by William Johnson. No personal injury resulted, but it was estimated that there was around \$100 property damage. Sheriff Wm. Golnick reported.

Twenty-five people gathered at Shoppenagon's Inn for a dinner party last Tuesday evening, to celebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Giegling. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hoesli and Miss Margrethe Bauman were in charge of the party arrangements.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilbur observed their golden wedding anniversary on Monday. Mrs. Wilbur was born in Crawford County and Mr. Wilbur came to this county from New York State at the age of four. Mrs. Wilbur, before her marriage was Alice Shotts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shotts. They have two daughters, Mrs. Leo Jorgenson of Grayling, and Mrs. Lee Campbell of Whittemore.

Tonight the Grayling Vikings take the floor against the Gaylord Blue Devils, here, in what is the final scheduled game of the 1950 season. Both teams are expected to clash again next week, however, in tournament play at Gaylord.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Lovely, who observed their golden wedding anniversary on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Caid, Jr. of Elkhart, Indiana, and two young couples of Adrian, returned to their homes last Sunday coming up to enjoy the winter sports carnival.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Allen are the parents of a baby girl, born Feb. 18, at Mercy Hospital.

Carroll Wert and Clayton McDonnel flew to Lewiston Thursday to attend a meeting of the East Michigan Winter

Sports Council.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Johnson at Mercy Hospital on Feb. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Hatfield are happy over the arrival of a son at Mercy Hospital on Feb. 21.

The Byron Randolph family spent the weekend in Detroit, where they went to the Sonja Henie Ice Show.

Although the coal for the Frederic school came Thursday, the zero weather Sunday night froze the pipes at the school house, so school was dismissed early Monday morning.

Mrs. Paul Crawford and son, Tommy, expected to leave Wednesday for Trenton, Missouri to visit her son, Skip Crawford and family, whom she hasn't seen in two years.

Who else would be going on a sleigh ride when the weather is just right, as it was Wednesday evening. Of course, no one else but 12 Girl Scouts of Troop 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Puffer and family of Dowagiac, spent carnival weekend with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Puffer.

69 years ago

Feb. 24, 1927

The following candidates were nominated at the Citizen's Caucus Friday night. For village president, Hans Peterson; for clerk, Roy O. Milnes; for treasurer, Carl W. Peterson; for trustees, Thomas Cassidy, Geo. McCullough, E. G. Shaw; for assessor, James W. Sorenson. The following village committee was elected: Dr. C. R. Keyport, O. P. Schumann and T. P. Peterson.

Following are the nominees for the People's Caucus: for president, George Burke; clerk, Roy Milnes; treasurer, Carl Jenson; trustees, Chris King, Ralph Hanna, George Bielski; assessor, James W. Sorenson; village committee, W. W. Lewis, C. O. McCullough and Carl Jenson.

Mrs. L. J. Kraus is absent from the hardware store this week, having submitted to an operation for the removal of her tonsils Tuesday morning.

Jeff McKinnon was in Grayling Saturday, and refereed the Rogers City-Grayling basketball game.

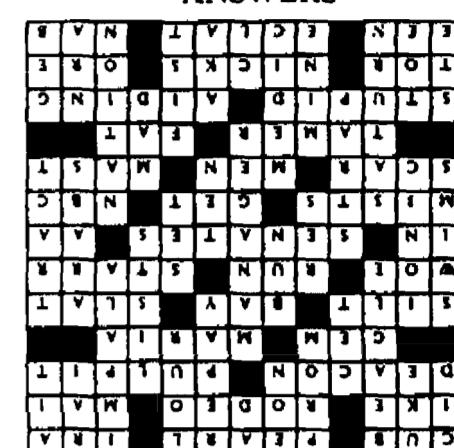
Dr. C. J. McCann and B. E. Smith witnessed the Michigan-Indiana basketball game at Ann Arbor, Saturday. Dr. McCann visited at Bay City.

Miss Grace Goodall of Fletcher, has been spending several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Krage.

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

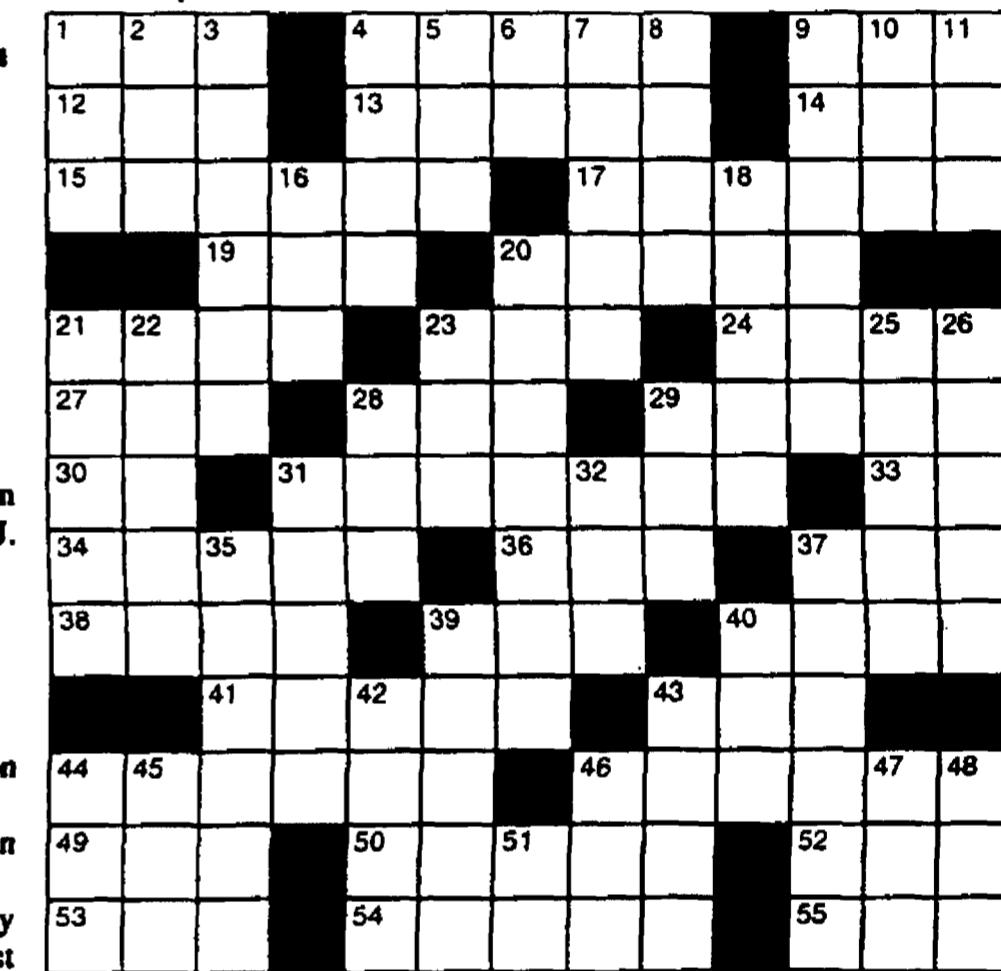
WEEKEND CROSSWORD

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS



ACROSS

- 1. Young Bear
- 4. Sea gem
- 9. Gershwin
- 12. 34th President
- 13. Cowboy show
- 14. 5th month, Fr.
- 15. Church officer
- 17. Raised platform
- 19. Jewel
- 20. Girl's name
- 21. Mud deposit
- 23. Red horse
- 24. Lath
- 27. Trouble
- 28. Brook
- 29. Kay —
- 30. Into
- 31. Legislative bodies
- 33. Alcoholics Anon, init.
- 34. Haze, pl.
- 36. Progeny
- 37. TV network
- 38. Wound mark
- 39. Troops
- 40. Spar
- 41. More submissive
- 43. Stout
- 44. Dumb
- 46. Helping
- 49. Crag
- 50. Notches
- 52. Mine product
- 53. Even
- 54. Renown
- 55. Catch
- DOWN
- 1. Campeador
- 2. Ukulele, fam.
- 3. Small hound
- 4. School dance
- 5. Age
- 6. Paid notice
- 7. Reimburse
- 8. Frown
- 9. Afr. antelope
- 10. Siam measure
- 11. River island
- 16. Whale
- 18. Rosters
- 20. Administrator
- 21. Floats on water
- 22. Greek column
- 23. Roll
- 25. Yemenites
- 26. Pamphlets
- 28. Thing, Lat.
- 29. Harden
- 31. Leather strip
- 32. Decade
- 35. Planet
- 37. Country
- 39. Medical worker
- 40. Angry
- 42. Source of ore
- 43. Index mark
- 44. Female saint, abbr.
- 45. Foot digit
- 46. Also known as
- 47. Depression-era agency
- 48. Egypt earth god
- 51. Carmen Lombardo, init.



Editor's Quote Book

Fear is the main source of superstition, and one of the main sources of cruelty. To conquer fear is the beginning of wisdom.

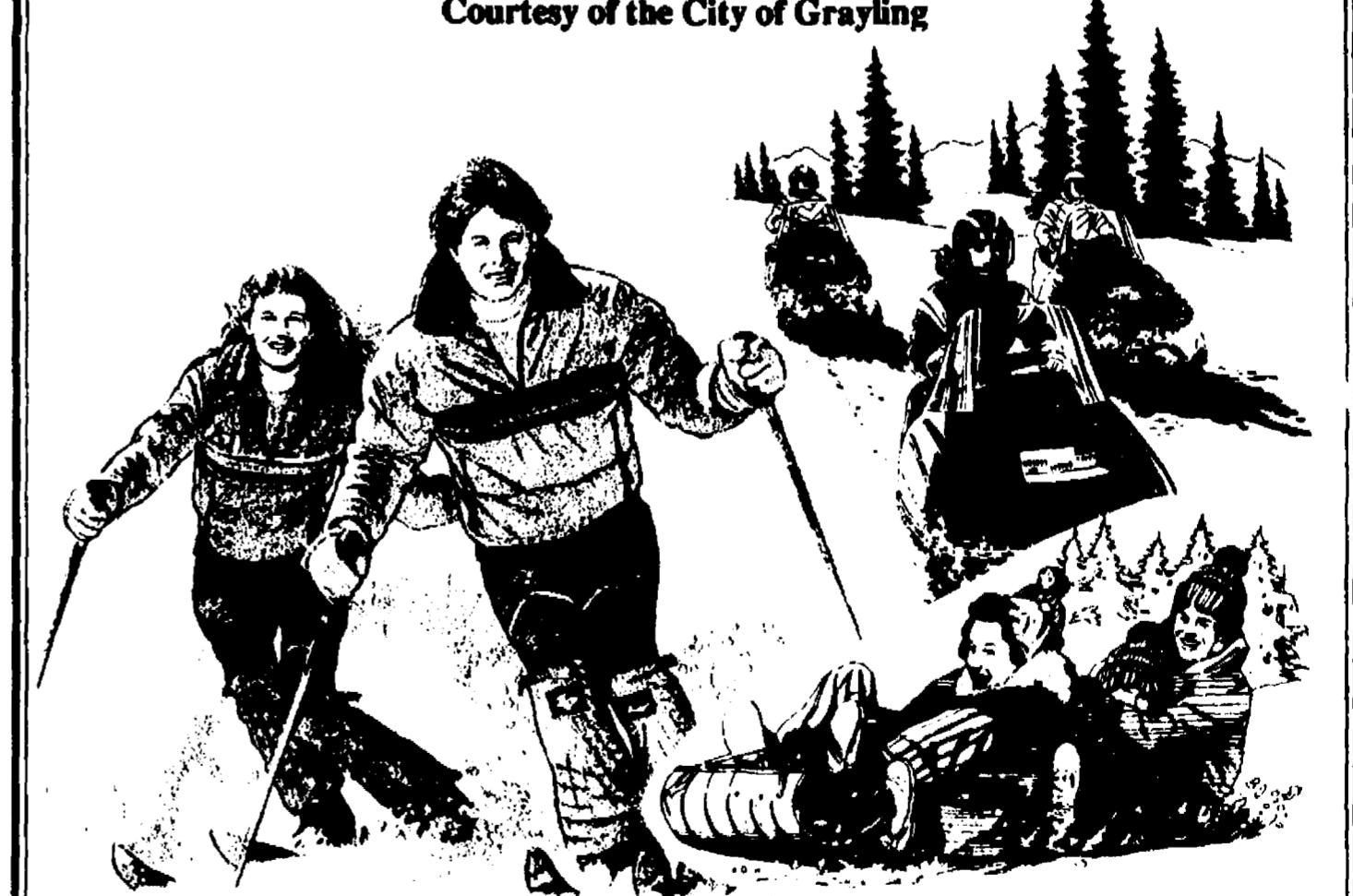
Bertrand Russell

For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.

Psalms 30:5

LOCAL WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	High	Low	Precip.	Snow on ground
2/14	23	-6	0.18	21"
2/15	25	-6	0.01 1/2	20"
2/16	21	-8	0.02	19"
2/17	23	-9	0.22	20"
2/18	21	6		20"
2/19	19	2	0.01	20"
2/20	36	5	t	19"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake. Wednesday calls for mostly cloudy skies, with the highs in the mid to upper 30s. Thursday also calls for mostly cloudy skies, with the highs of 40 to 45, and the lows in the low to mid 30s. There is a chance of rain on Friday, with the highs in the low 30s, and the lows in the mid to upper 20s. Saturday will be partly cloudy. The highs will be 40 to 45, with the lows in the low to mid 30s.

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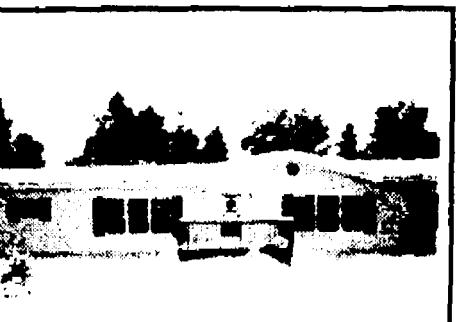
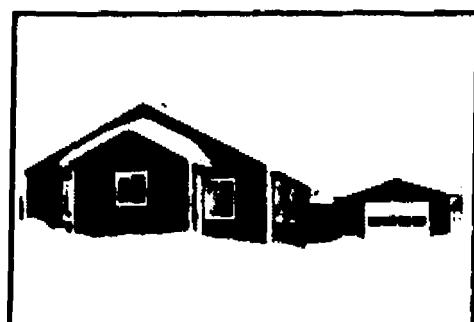
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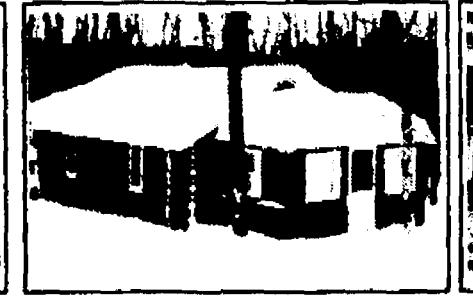
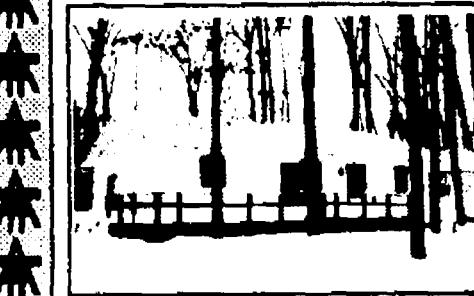
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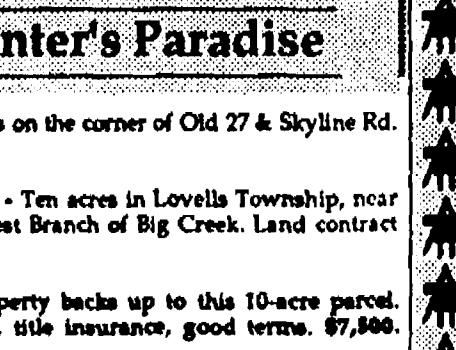
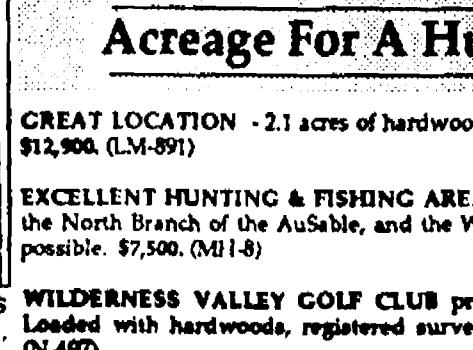
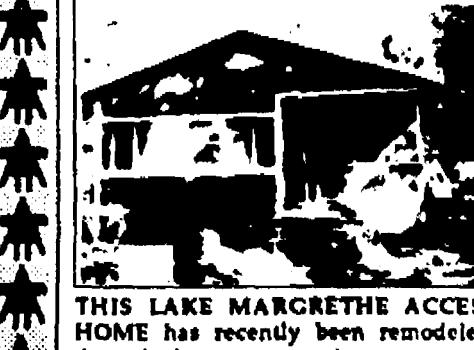
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HOME ON FIVE ACRES fronting on Stephan Bridge Road, three bedrooms, 10x10 shed, covered deck, close to AuSable River, no snowmobile trails, new vinyl siding. Only \$29,500. Reduced \$23,500. (LM-880)

MINI-MINI FARM - 980 sq. ft., two bedrooms, fireplace, 14x14 summer house, 2-car garage, buildings & cages for ducks, chickens, rabbits, herbs and flowers, canning area and an outhouse. \$35,000. (MC-485)

600 PARK STREET - This remodeled 3-bedroom stately home sits on the city's only hilltop, family room, new garage, and forced-air heat only six years ago, water softener, 90x240 site. \$65,000. (NN-609)



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STALEY LAKE ROAD leads to this 5-acre parcel. Mixture of trees, title insurance, close to state land, possible land contract. \$4,500. (N-523)

15 ACRES SLOPING TERRAIN - Pine tree cover. Consider land contract. \$12,000. (MC-361)

PAFFY'S TRAIL - Five acres close to AuSable River. Good building site, mixture of trees. \$4,500. (MC-360)

BRADFORD LAKE HILLS - Square ten acres of hardwoods north of Frederic. Electric at road, possible land contract. \$9,500 or \$9,000 cash. (NN-509)

LARGE STATELY HOME IN TOWN - 1 1/2 lots, 1,482 sq. ft., three bedrooms, small basement, garage, home recently remodeled, all appliances included, new roof and siding. \$59,500. Reduced \$57,500. (CN-579)

TEN ACRES, PARTIALLY WOODED - Utilities available, land contract terms. \$9,500. (JN-862)

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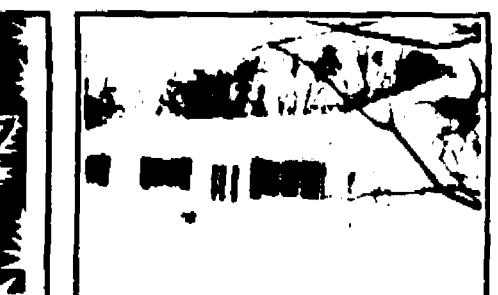
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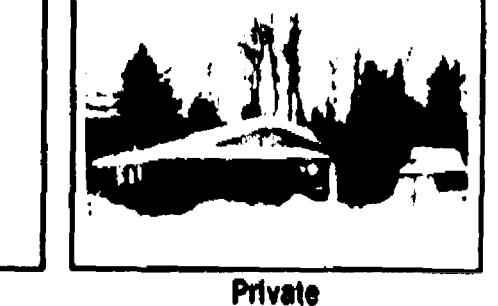
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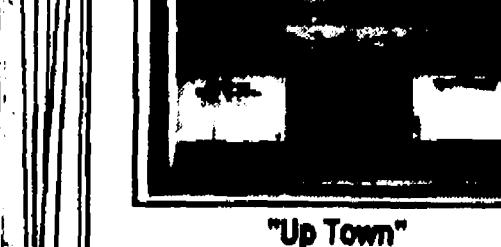
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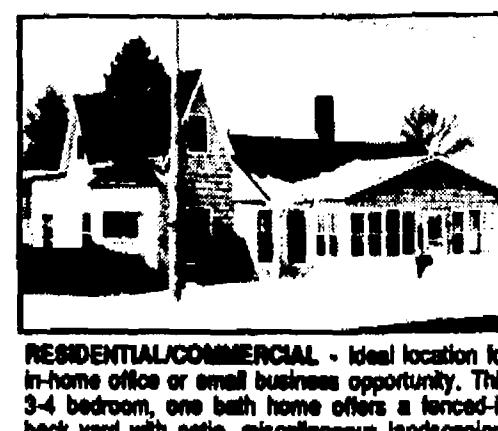
MOBILE HOME ON 10 ACRES - Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, LP gas, mobile to be sold in "as is condition." Would make an excellent recreational property for hunting or snowmobiling. \$15,000. CS-308



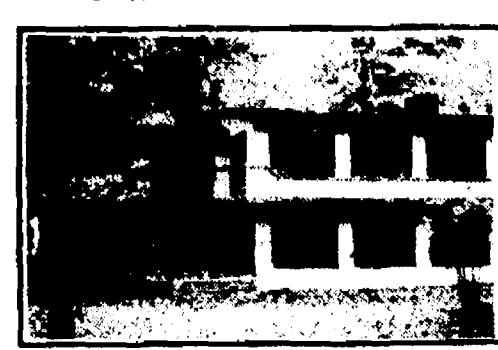
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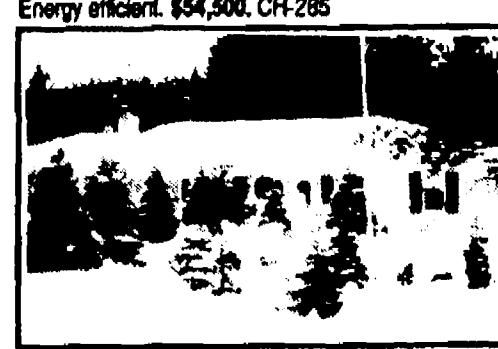
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New child safety seat identity stickers are being made available in Michigan to help identify children involved in vehicle crashes. The stickers allow emergency medical technicians and emergency room staff to quickly identify the child and treat his or her injuries.

The program launch in Michigan coincides with national Child Passenger Safety Awareness week, Feb. 11-17.

Indiana first introduced the stickers when a 13-month-old boy named Chad was involved in a traffic crash. The babysitter who had been driving was killed. Chad was injured, but no one at the scene knew his identity. It was only because an emergency room nurse recognized him that his parents could be quickly located and his injuries treated.

"While it is a remote possibility that a child would be in this kind of situation, we wanted to make similar stickers available for children in Michigan," said Betty J. Mercer, executive director of the Office of Highway Safety Planning.

The Michigan Kids Identity Sticker provides space for the child's name and address, as well as the name of their parents and physician. The sticker should be placed on the right corner (child's right) under the cushion or the center back of the safety seat.

Stickers can be obtained by calling the Michigan Resource Center at 1-800-626-4636.

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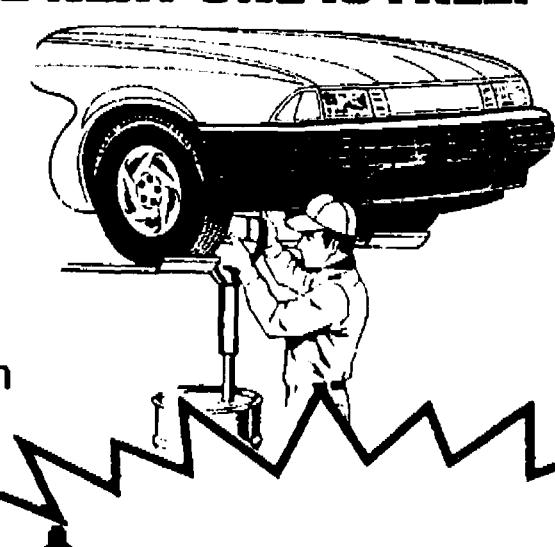
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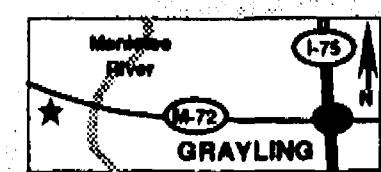
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